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Latest cost estimates by BAC and Rolls-Royce indicate that the net loss so far incurred by the British Government on Concorde production might, on broad assumptions, be about £200m; the report says. That would increase greatly if the five remaining unsold aircraft could not be sold at a price comparable with the price paid by British Airways and Air France for the aircraft already

Charles Hargrove writes from Paris: The French Government does not consider that the Pub-lic Accounts Committee's report contains anything to modify the decision by Britain and France last year to stop production after the sixteenth Concorde is produced unless a new factor intervenes to improve sales prospects. The sixteenth aircraft will go into service next

But by then, it is thought in Paris, much can happen, not least the granting of landing rights in New York, Washington, Sept 21.-Congressional supporters of the Concorde urged President Carter today to approve con-tinued landing rights for the

Mr Lance to keep

budget job

Washington, Sept 21.—Mr Bert
Lance, the Director of the
Office of Management and
Budget, resigned today after
weeks of controversy over his
private banking practices and
personal finances.

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Mr Lance's decision to give
up the battle with his Senate
critics was announced by President Carrer at a nationally relevised news conference in the White House.

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Mr. Carrier said he had accepted the resignation with the greatest sense of regret and sorrow. "He's a good man", the President added.

"Nothing that I have heard have heard heard had been added.

or read has shaken my belief in Bert's ability or his integrity", Mr Carter said.

"I know him personally as well as if he was my own brother. I know him without any doubt in my mind to be a good and honourable man." good and honourable man."
In his letter of resignation,
Mr Lance, who is 46, cited "the
amount of controversy and the
continuing nature of it " over
his private banking practices personal finances as a reason for stepping down,
Mr Lance said he felt his
name had been cleared and

that "my conscience is clear", but "I desire to return to my native state of Georgia".

Mr Lance said he was convinced he could continue to be an effective Budget Director, but "because of the amount of controversy and the continuing nature of it I have decided to submit my resignation as director".

The controversy arose over

the revelations about his personal financial and banking activities while president of banks in Calhoun and Atlanta. Georgia.

But in an emotional appearauce before the Senate govern-mental affairs committee last Thursday, Mr Lance had main-tained his innocence of wrong-doing and accused the Senators and the news media of smears and inuvendos.

In his statement, the President referred to "unproven allegations against Mr Lance" and added: "I think he proved that our system of government works because when he was given a chance to testify on his

own behalf he was able to clear his name.

"My responsibility along with Bert's has been, and is, to make sure that the American people have justified confidence our government"

MPs attack controls, page 19 for two hours.

Correspondent of The Times sees tanks dug in on a ridge near the front line

gives up fight Under fire in Lebanon battle with Israel-backed forces

From Robert Fisk

Ibi el Saqi, southern Lebanun Sept 21

Lying flat on the sandbags with two armed Palestinians crouching on each side, it was possible to see the American-built tanks with the naked eye. They were struddling the stone ridge to the West and Were clearly outlined against the

With binoculars, you could steady your arm on the sandbags and make out the unmis-takable shape of two M68 tanks on the ridge, each parked in newly-dug reverments, with machine guas mounted on their turrets. They were positioned about two miles inside Lebanon.

"Israelis", the Palestinian on my right whispered, as if

It was 10 o'clock, scarcely an hour since the Lebanese Gov-ernment had formally accused

Israel of moving tanks and armour into Lebanon. Across the foothills towards Khiam, heavy wrilliam thurdward and heavy artitlery thundered and rumbled along the valleys where the Palestinians are still holding out, although we could see no sign of the shellbursts from where we were lying.

Then a man appeared stand-ing on the rear of the rank on the left of the ridge and, through binoculars, you could see him staring northwards with his hands on his hips. You could not help but wonder what he was thinking. Then he jumped down, casually pulled the radio headset off his head and disappeared behind the

The Palestician commander a thin young man with a badly groomed black moustache, was unxious that we should see the tanks, but did not seem unduly tank crews were able to concerned

"We saw them come in two days ago', he said. "They put

and sent another 12 up towards Lebanese army. Marjavoun." Marjayoun is the Christian

Lebanese stronghold in southern Lebanon, and it lay on a small hill to our right, so close that you could see the churches and shops along the main street.

About 20 yards from the sandbags, the Palestinian—code named Abu Meyad—told us to peer over a low wall. Using the binoculars again, it was possible to see a small concrete structure about a quarter of a mile away. Next to it was a mounted gun and a man wear-ing a beret who was silhouetted against the sun. He looked rather harmless.

"An Israeli, with a heavy machine gun", Abu Meyad announced briefly, shielding his eyes against the light. It was in fact impossible to tell whether the distant gunman was an Israeli soldier or a

Our interest had not gone unnoticed. Mr Alex Efty-voulos, of the Associated Press news agency, and I had paused no longer than 10 seconds ar

the low wall, but no sooner

had we left it than the deserted streets came alive with gunfire. The soldier in his little concrete bunker had suddenly become very dangerous indeed and heavy machine gun bullets began to crack and hiss around the saddage we had just left.

the sandbags we had just left. Several Palestinians to the east of the village fired back, but Abu Meyad, his rifle still strapped to his back, threw himself on to the road. I followed and just caught sight of Mr Eftyvoulos running for the cover of the wall.

For almost a minute,

bullets raked across the houses on the other side of the road, biting into the stonework and sending chips of plaster and

10 tanks into the Khiam area member of the Christian concrete into the air. One round smashed pieces of wood off a at the level of our heads, and several more passed between us and the pole with a loud whizzing sound that made you

want to panic. Almost an hour before, we had sar on a quier hillside road behind Ibl el Sagi while three Palestinians put up a 14ft aerial for their two-way radio and attempted to tune into the

Israeli Army's radio petwork. Then we had listened, a world away, to the BBC broadcasting from London. A woman newsreader with a careful, very English voice had reported that Mr Menachem Begin, the Israeli Prime Minister, was ready to discuss a ceasefire in southern Lebanon. One of the Palestinian radio operators grinned when he heard the words: "So the Israelis admit they are in

Lebanon", he said. Continued on page 6, col 5

Tories ready

for 'eve

of battle'

conference

By David Wood Political Editor For what virtually all West-minster politicians believe will

turn out to be the last round of party conferences before the next general election the leaders of the Conservative

Party mass party organization appeared yesterday to see no difficulties in dressing the shop

window with policies and debates to their liking. Introducing, in London, the agenda for the annual confer-

ence, which this year will run in Blackpool from October 11 to 14. Sir Charles Johnston,

chairman of the national union executive, and Mr David Sells,

who is to be the conference chairman, found to their faint surprise that no left-wing

journalists were on hand this

year to suggest that the Con-

servative conference is rigged

and undemocratic because awkward motions have been

ignored or party differences blurred.

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ambushing techniques. About 350 republicans and almost 300 "loyalists" live in the special compounds at the Maze. They take orders only from their own com-

tive politicians. Since March last year the ernment and the courts have refused to recognize the political nature of terrorism in Ulster, and only those convicted of crimes committed before March, 1976, now qualify for that special status. The programme also contains a warning that the Provisional IRA intends to carry its campaign into England again. Peter Taylor, the reporter who made the pro-gramme, said yesterday that the senior IRA officer who gave the warning in an interview in Dublin "made it clear to me

Brussels, Sept 21

Aggressive left-wing question-ing of the morality of the Con-servative conference has for years been an autumn ritual, in spite of all the evidence that there has never been much to choose on democratic lines between any of the main conferences and the procedures followed. Lord Thorneycroft, the party chairman, and Mr Angus Maude, the deputy chairman, sat in yesterday as party mana-gers, and had an easy run. To prove that this is the

expected preelection Conservative conference, records have been broken. All told, 1,616 motions were put in by the rank-and-file associations, and for the first time, thanks to the for the first time, thanks to the reorganization that affiliates Scottish Conservatives with the English and Walsh, 6,631 delegates will be eligible to attend, on the basis of fixed representation for constituencies and other party organizations.

The total of motions is always taken to indicate what is obsessing the constituency and area rank and file. In order of weight, the principal issues this

weight, the principal issues this year are: employment and industrial relations (198 motions); economic policy and Continued on page 2, col 4

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des Union has submitted in for a 30 per cent pay which would give some en an extra £20 a week

Ministers firm against | Executives 'green pound' change

By Hugh Clayton

Agricultural Correspondent

Farmers are to be told by the Government not to expect an early change in the "green pound " which would raise producers' returns and the prices of many foods. Although food price increases have moderated this year ministers recognize that a firm clamp on them is essential if large pay claims are to be avoided.

Mr Silkin, Minister of Agriculture. Fisheries and Food, began preparing yesterday for the next round of changes in EEC food policy. He met Mr Jack Jones, general secretary of the Transport and General Workers' Union, and Mr David Cairns, the union's chief official in charge of fisheries, last night. Today Mr Silkin is to meet leaders or the farmers' unions.

the spring, and no guarantee of

Mr Sekin believes that safeguarding British commercial interests is essential in forthcoming talks about EEC farm and fisheries policy. The European Commission intends to produce a plan for a Community fishing policy soon and Britain has until the end of the year to make the final changes that will enable British farming to meet the demands of the common agricultural policy.

The Potato Marketing Board reported yesterday that shop prices of small potatoes had fallen to 2p a pound in England and Wales, and those of moderate size could be found for 21p. Those are the lowest prices for at least four years-The weather that has helped to produce a bumper potato crop has also led to a shortage of home-grown wheat of milling

Millers have already started buying wheat from France, West Germany and Denmark they wanted to pay more they wanted to pay wanted to p

of ICI die in crash

Three British executives of ICI were among six people killed when a chartered aircraft crashed and exploded in flames

crashed and exploded in flames in West Germany, it was disclosed yesterday. One was the deputy chairman of the firm's Mond division. Mr D. S. Paterson, aged 50.

The others were named by the company as Mr Richard Borrett, aged 39, General Production Manager of one of the division's groups, and Mr John Murta, aged 42, manager of the ICI Bain works.

The other dead were the two

The other dead were the two West German pilots and Mr Wolfgang Barc, whose address was given as Eye, near Ipswich. The aircraft crashed on Tues-

day night shortly after takeoff from Frankfurt bound for Manchester. An ICI spokesman said that the three executives who were all based with the Mond chemicals division, had been on a visit to Wilhelmshaven, where ICI plan to build a big chemical plant.

Mr Paterson was married with two daughters and lived in Frodsham, Cheshire, Mr Borrett, from Whitegate, near North-wich, Cheshire, was married with one son. Mr Murta, of Eaglescliffe, near Stockton-on

TUC looks for quick action on tax cuts

Tory challenge

Sir Geoffrey Howe, QC, Shadow Chancellor of the Exchequer, joined the Conservative Party's

debate on relations with the

to Mr Jones

the closed shop.

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22pc pay deal

Union representatives of the 4,000 workers of the Belfast engineering firm of James Mackie and Sons, threatened with government sanctions if a 22 per cent pay deal is not renegoriated, refused to yield to government pressure to stick to guidelines Page 2

Rhodesia blamed A report by the Catholic Com-mission for Justice and Peace in Rhodesia blames the Army rather than the guerril-

there. It accused the Smith less propaganda campaign.

Dr Johannes Witteveen is to

the International atometary
Fund next year for personal
reasons. His five-year contract
ends in August, but he would
probably have been offered a
second term Page 19 Lezder page, 15

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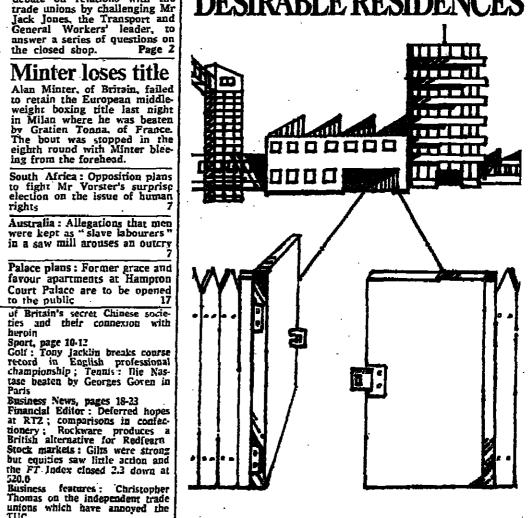
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Business Diary : on with the dance

Comecon and the EEC agree to open negotiations From Our Own Correspondent

In an important step towards closer links between West and East Europe, the EEC and Comecon, the communist economic organization, agreed today to open negotiations in the first half of next year on how to develop commercial relations. The move implies tacit Soviet recognition of the EEC.

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accept more direction', public schools told

Great Diana Geddes pendent schools must ducation system, even if neans surrendering some ir independence. Dr John Headmaster of West-fir School and chairman Capo is e Headmasters' Confer-iald vesterday.

must be prepared, for le, " in this critical period your education peeds to r power of direction in p curriculum and in matters from the Secreif State", he told the meeting, at Oxford, of eadmasters' Conference, represents the 215 top solicitons her direct grant schools.

Tillian the teaching that is you and I, apicious of such changes. in the status quo, then of see how we are going on seem of the change in the change it is seen to the change it is a situation unless former to tell us, the what to do he said.

The education provided in equal to the task that the nation requires it to do. he

By attacking academic selection and pursuing social justice, the reformers of the 1960s had thought they were modernizing education. But they were tilting at the wrong enemy : the real enemy was the obsolete attitudes towards the nature and

purpose of education. Those arritudes were inherited from a time when Britain was a great imperial power, when the British could afford to regard education as having little direct connexion with the creation of wealth of the country, when learning was for its own sake, and when the Government could afford to let the schools go their own way with a minimum of direction.

The education system needed to be modernized and freed from some of the more crippling effects of egalitarianism. The conference must form a oressure group for reform. But it could not fulfil that role if it was introspective and obsessed with its own survival.

Britain is neither worthy of the cess, it would not be a disas-potential of our children nor ter", Dr Rau told a press equal to the task that the conference earlier. "Our survival is not the question at all: it is the country's survival." In his address, which Dr Rae

emphasized expressed his personal views, he put forward a seven-point plan for reform. 1. He wanted to see an end to specialization in the sixth form. The sixth-form curriculum was too beavily biased towards the needs of the individual, and not enough attention was paid to the needs of society. Specialization closed doors to possible

careers too early.

2. He believed that conference schools should be prepared to tal "centres of excellence" in disciplines such as mathematics or modern languages. That would inevitably entail some loss of independence in return for some public financing, he suggested at the press con-All schools must broaden

their concept of what was intel-

lectually challenging and res-

pectable to include technology

literary disciplines.

well as the abstract and

idea of service to the community to include the creation of wealth.

5. The education system must

provide equal opportunity for girls. The independent boys' schools could help by taking more girls into their sixth forms. Eighty-two of the conference schools aircady do so. 6. They must accept greater central direction on the curri-

7. They must expose the myth" of progressive education, particularly that it was impossible to value individual children if they were allowed to compete with one another. Dr Rae's speech is certain to

cause controversy among head-masters of public schools. Mr James Batten, of King's College, Taunton, said that his proposal to give central government "powers of direction" was going much farther than the mass of conference back-benchers would be willing to go. He was also reluctant to consider taking any money from the Government for fear of the strings that would inevitably be attached.

Mr Len Murray, general ing for action from the Govern-secretary of the TUC, says the ment, and quickly", he says, economic and financial con-"Talk about the promised land does not put people into jobs."
Emphasizing the need for more straints that forced restrictive government measures on public spending have eased. The General Council of the TUC will selective intervention in the labour market, he suggests a "job expansion subsidy" to firms increasing recruitment be examining the scope for further public spending increases and tax cuts. "We shall be look-

Union sticks to

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Letters: On Mrs Thatcher and the brade unions, from Sir Ian Gil-mour. MP. and others; on Mr. Nicholas Scott, MP, from Mr Neville Beade, and Mrs Diana Heimann; and on street marches,

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TUC wants action to raise spending and cut unemployment

By Christopher Thomas Labour Reporter

Trade union pressure on the Government for an expansionist Budget was increased sharply yesterday by Mr Len Murray, general secretary of the TUC. "We shall be looking for action from the Government, and quickly", he said. "Talk about the promised land does not put people into jobs."

His remarks came a day after the appropriate of the warst. The appropriate of the warst. Ith: announcement of the worst -unemployment figures since the war, now totalling nearly

"The economic and financial constraints which forced the Government to take restrictive measures on public spending are now eased", he said. "The -general council will be examinling the scope for further public expenditure increases and tax

He emphasized the need for more selective intervention in The labour market and sug-gested a "job expansion subsidy" to employers who Increased recruitment.

Mr Murray pointed to measures already taken along chose lines, such as the small firms' employment subsidy, and Expenditure measures of this kind to reduce unemployment is more than Justified on social grounds. And they made sound economic sense as well."

Recent research, he said, had shown that governments had seriously underestimated the cost of unemployment to the

"When account is taken of

tion forgone) the Government could spend in subsidies anything up to 90 per cent of average earnings of industrial workers for up to six months to keep people at work without adding to total public expenditure or to the Budget deficit."

Murray who was sneak-

lying difficulties could be solved by permanent and continuing wage restraint. "I understand and acknowledge the need for, and indeed I have advocated, a measure of re-straint in present circum-stances."

But he was convinced that, unless Britain had an effective manpower policy, income policy, in the sense commonly used, would not work. If there was not an effective manpower policy, income policy was

"It is not good enough that at plant and company level the main trade union pressure still tends to be channelled towards non-policy levels of manage-ment-production and personnel managers and supervisors". he said. "There is still an opportunity in most companies for unions to play a part in shaping company policies and strategies."

It had been the deliberate

policy of most managements to restrict the role of unions to bargaining on as limited a possible and to settling grievances.

The national debate on industrial democracy, supplemented by the free collective bargaining the cost of benefits and redundancy payments, tax rebates and lost tax and hational insurance contributions (to say nothing of produc-

Belfast repair papers go to public prosecutor

Industrial Correspondent

Excessive payments have been made to contractors carrying out house rehabilitation schemes in west Belfast, and at one time repairs to vandalized houses were costing an average of £14.300, it was alleged

yesterday.

But after the introduction of tighter contract terms the cost of the repairs in the district was reduced by about half, according to a report by the Commons Committee of Public

Accounts, isued vesterday. Certain papers have been submitted to the Northern Ireland Director of Public Prosecutions on some of the contracts undertaken, and the committee's chairman, Mr Edward du Cann, Conservative

The report says £4m was house rehabilitation schemes on property damaged in civil dis-turbances. Initially the work was carried out on the basis of normal maintenance comtracts—cost plus agreed per-centages on labour and materials. Most of the work was done in the predominantly Roman Catholic west Belfast

When the schemes first began; the work was done by the executive's mainteance department. In evidence to the committee, both the executive and the Department of the Environment agreed that many lessons had been learnt from the operation of the schemes. It is apparent, the report says, the "cost plus" form of contract was unsuitable, but up to April, 1975, there had been no cause for serious concern on

At that time, the committee notes, the cost of repairs had averaged about £4,800. From August onwards that year it exceeded £10,000 a house. In its report the committee aid: "We are of the opinion

that the department, knowing as it did the staffing and organizational difficulties of MP for Taunton, said a public the executive, ought to have taken a closer interest in the of the director's investigations rehabilitation programme at an earlier stage than it did. "It is also our opinion that

spent by the Housing Executive the form of contract used for between 1972-73 and 1975-76 on this type of work until nearly this type of work until nearly the end of 1975 was so the end of 1975 was so obviously inappropriate that the department ought to have abandon it in April, 1975, when it agreed to recoup the full cost of the approved rehibilita-

tion schemes."
Seventh Report of the Committee
of Public Accounts, House of
Commons Order Paper 530
(Stationery Office, 50p).

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Threat again of sanctions over Ulster pay deal From Christopher Walker Bertasr

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Less than 24 hours before
the expiry of an unprecedented
government ultimatum strengovernment unimatum stren-uous efforts were being made in Northern Ireland last night to avert the first public show-down over the new incomes

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policy.

Special attention is being
paid to the dispute at the privately owned west Belfast
engineering works of James
Mackie & Sons because the outcome might have wide implications for every section of
British industry.

Yesterday union officials
representing the four thousand
workers employed by the textile
machinery company joined
employers in refusing to submit
to repeated government
attempts to persuade them to
renegotiate a 22 per cent pay
deal that has been in operation
since August 1.

deal that has been in operation since August 1.
Faced with apparent deadlock, the Government repeated its earlier threat that vital export credit guarantees would be withheld from noon if the deal was not brought into line with the 10 per cent guidelines on nav.

The normal delicacy of the issues involved has been increased because the company has a strong export record, a reputation for secretiveness, and a factory situated in an area of traditionally high unemployment. unemployment.
The credit guarantees cover

an order from Vietnam, worth about £6m, and another from Tanzania. The company maintans that if they were lost hundreds of its workers might

Senior civil servants and members of the management have begun new talks. They were believed to be discussing a self-financing productivity deal that would come within

the pay code.
Mr Concannon, Minister of
State for Northern Ireland, who is responsible for the negotia-tions, has had regular consulta-tions with senior ministers, who regard the Mackie case as crucial for the pay policy's

After the meeting with union officials yesterday Mr Con-caunon said: "We are prepared to press this because we see that the pay guidelines are para-mount and the battle of inflamount and the battle of infla-tion is paramount. The guide-lines apply to Northern Ireland just as they apply to the rest of the United Kingdom."

Mr James Graham, Northern Ireland secretary of the Con-federation of Shipbuilding and Engineering Unions, said the Government's attitude was scan-dalous.

dalous. Local union leaders believe that the deal, originally nego-tiated in early July, contains necessary increases. The company has made no public com-ment on the sanctions

threatened. Malcolmn Brown writes: There was scarcely concealed mirth among industrialists at yesterday's meeting of the grand council of the Confederation of British Industry of reports that a productivity deal might defuse

Mackie issue While adamant against productivity deals designed simply to get round the Government's pay guidelines, the CBI seems prepared to turn a blind eye to deals where the alternative might be disruption leading to bankruptcy. CBI leaders said after yester-

day's meeting that sanctions, not being enshrined in any law, was bound to be arbitrary.

Mr John Methyen, the CBI's director general, said the coun-cil had given the president a mandate to support, in public if meressary, any employer that finds himself facing sanctions despite having done his utmost to hold out against union pressures.

Buses withdrawn

Liverpool's municipal bus service was withdrawn by Merseyside Passenger Transport yesterday because of weeklong industrial dispute has halted maintenance.

Dr John Randall, managing director of the Avana bakeries group, told workers yesterday that Sir Julian Hodge, chairman and main shareholder of the group, had agreed to report yesterday because of weeklopen it. The 300 workers will lost 18 years and that the pit resume production this morning.



Party managers preparing for the Conservative conference (left to right): Mr Angus Maude, Lord Thorneycroft, Sir Charles Johnston, Mr David Sells, and Mr Alan Smith.

Disputes will get an airing

Continued from page 1

taxarion (174); law and order (149); education (120); social services and health (105); homes and land (92); local government and its finance (69); people, Parliament, and the constitution (65); defence and European Community (62 each); immigration and race relations (60).

Other themes, in descending order, are: industry, small businesses and self-employed, overseas aid, party policy and public relations, devolution, electoral change and Rhodesia (equal with 28 motions), food and farming energy, environ-ment and planning, transport,

The eight-month mystery

surrounding the disappearance of Mr Richard Emery, a college

of Mr Richard Emery, a conege lecturer, ended yesterday when his decomposed body was found in the artic of his home at Muswell Hill, north London.

Mr Emery, aged 37, described as a brilliant academic, was reported missing on January 13. His body, behind a cold water

storage tank, was found by Mr Kenneth Westcomb, his brother-in-law, who said: "I can say it is Mr Emery."

On the day he was reported

missing Mr Emery was seen to

arrive for work as usual at the

School of Librarianship at North London Polytechnic. Shortly afterwards he was seen

leaving; there had been no

Mrs Emery was under seda-tion yesterday at the house in Grosvenor Road, but Mr Westcombe said: "He had gone out of his way to hide himself. I was putting some boxes up there and was fishing

around with a torch when I came across him."

A bakery at Rogerstone, Gwent, which was "shut for

good " by the management after

with the zakers' strike, is to be reopened today.

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Welsh bakery

to reopen

Mr Westcombe said no one

Body of missing lecturer

found in attic at home

broadly follow form. For their part, the party managers, making their selection of motions for conference debate, have also followed practice. But nobody could seriously argue that they have avoided the Conservative Party's internal controversies, within or outside the Shadow Cabinet.

On October 11, the opening in Blackpool, the protagonists in the Shadow Cabinet differ-ences over industrial strategy and trade union tactics when a new Conservative government forms will both speak. Sir Keith Joseph will lead off on the theme of industry and free enterprise in the morning; Mr Prior will follow in the afternoon with his message on in-dustrial relations and how Conservative ministers will handle the TUC and such questions as the demand for closed shops.

Nobody may claim, therefore, that the organizers are glossing over anything to do with Sir Keith's fellow of All Souls Ulster, and overseas aid.

Such may be reckoned rankand-file priorities, for purposes of party management, and they

Mr Richard Emery: "Bril-

that Mr Emery had returned

even a remote possibility."

Mr Scargill at

the coalface

the house on the day he disappeared. He added: "The

police just gave a cursory glance in the loft at the time. None of us ever considered it

Mr Arthur Scargill, the

Yorkshire miners' leader,

worked 800ft underground at

Rockingham colliery, near

Barnsley, yesterday to see what

subjects that bedevil them as trade union leaders. The same is true of constitutional changes involving dir-ect elections to the EEC and devolution of some Westminster power to Scotland and perhaps Wales, both Bills to perhaps wates, but him to be brought in early during the new parliamentary session opening on November 3. Mr Pym and Mr Douglas Hurd, re-

spectively, will look after constitutional reforms and the EEC. Mr Whitelaw, the party's deputy leader, will bring his bluff common sense to all the law and order matters that make the Conservative rank and file restive.

But something else matters most. On the opening day of the conference Lord Thorneycroft fill exhort the rank and

general elections comes, early or late as the date may be, and make much of the considerable victories Conservatives have won in parliamentary by-elections and local government

And, as usual, at the pre-election rally on the Friday morning, Mrs Thatcher will, as

party leader, whip up her activists into a frenzy of enthusiasm in the hope of ensuring, whatever the latest apinion polls say, that the Conservatives come home to Westminster the clusive majority in the House of Commons. The debates and principal

be:
Tuesday, October 11: Industry
and free enterprise, Sir Keith
Joseph; education, Mr St IohnSteras; address on party organization, Lord Thorneycroft; small
businesses and self-employed, Mr
Nott; industrial relations, Mr
Prior; first balloted motion.
Wednesday, October 12: Economic

Prior; first bailoted motion.

Wednesday, October 12: Economic policy, Sir Geoffrey Howe, QC: food and farming, Mr Peyton; local government, environment and planning, Mr Heseldine; homes and land, Mr Rossi; the family and Conservative policy (a discussion to be opened by Lady Young), Mr Jenkins.

Thursday, October 13: Employment, Mr Hayhoe; law and order. Mr Whitelaw; second balloted motion; defence and overseas affairs, Mr Davies; the constinution, Mr Pym; the European Community, Mr Hard.

Friday, October 14: Address, Mrs

TV unions move nearer to amalgamation By Our Labour Staff

Hopes of a single trade union in broadcasting and the film industry have taken a significant step forward with the approval of a joint rule book leaders of the Association of Broadcasting Staff (ABS), which has 14,000 members, and the Association of Cinematograph, Television and Allied Technicians (ACTT), which has

18,500 members.
Talks on a joint rule book began two years ago after members of the two unions had voted two to one in favour of the principle of amalgamation. A rules revision conference involving members of the unions will be held early next

lead the new organization has been delayed for four years. If the Amalgamated Film and Broadcasting Union is created, Mr Alan Sapper, of the ACTT, and Mr Anthony Hearn, of the ABS, will become joint general secremaniss.

A post-mortem examination will be held at Hornsey today. Mr Sapper said: "It will mean the end of divide and rule. With twice the muscle and twice the resources, the new union will act as a launching pad for unprecedented advances for workers through-out entertainment and communications."

Rise urged in deposit

At least three thousand candidates are likely at the next general election unless the £150 deposit is increased, a compiler of election statistics says in a book published today. At the February, 1974 election there were 2,135 candidates and in October, 1974, 2,252.

Mr Fred Craig writes in a preface to the book that unless the deposit is increased the next election will undoubtedly provide a very large number of "crank" candidatures.

"I would have thought that an eighth of the votes cast.

Advice shortage

Friday, October 14: Address, Mrs Thatcher.

for elections

a deposit of £1,000 would not be unreasonable considering that every candidate is entitled to send one free communication through the post to each elector". Mr Craig says. In the decision on who should average constituency, a candid-the new organization has are can obtain for £150 free postage worth more than £4.500. In order to save his deposit a candidate must poll more than Britain Votes 1 (Parliamentary Research Services) £5.50. Leadier; article, page 15

Scottend has 45 citizens' advice bureaux compared with 625 in England and Wales, the Scottish Consumer Council said yesterday. On a population basis there should be 65, it says.

Weather forecast and recordings

need to be kept informed of management plans and be consulted on important management proposals before the deci-sions were taken, it says.

Liberal call

to develop

works

councils

By Michael Hattield

Strong emphasis is given to the need to deevlop industrial

democracy on the shop floor through works councils in a

Liberal Party report published yesterday. It will go before the conference next week.

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The significance of works councils, the report says, hes in the extent to which they would encourage a more participitive style of representation and management. By broadening the representative base and widening the area of its responsibility, the councils enable industry to move from the established practices of power bargaining in which the parties concerned "all noo frequently feel themselves to be in a winor-lose-all situation, to a more constructive, joint problem-solving approach".

In advocating the develop-

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in advocating the develop-ment of works councils the re-port acknowledged the criti-cisms of trade unions and management. Trade unions often opposed to the idea be-cause they feared it would undermine established collec-

tive bargaining procedures.

Managers might be reluctant to
consider the idea because of
the opposition it aroused from

But the report says that such criticisms often stem from a fundamental misunderstanding

as to the nature of the pro-posals being put forward.

It says: "In the effirst place, it must be evidenthat if works councils are given the sort of responsibilities which we have described then they will be dealing with a far wider range of substantive issues than are normally considered by joint negotiating committees."

The report says that com-panies would need to inform the works councils in good time

and in comprehensive fashion about many subjects including the financial and economic results of trading, future plans, the immediate and long-term work prospects, the investment programme and the disposal of fixed capital and company profits.

"We would emphasize that subject to the confidentiality provisions of the Industry Act.

this information would be made available to the works council rather than to the

authorized representatives of relevant trade unious, and would apply to all companies and not simply those currently provided for in the Industry Act, 1975."

Works councils would also

Political Reporter

Four coach victims named Four of the five people A68 road near Galashieis.

Borders, on Tuesday night were named yesterday. They were Mrs Wilhelmina Ure, aged 55, of Crewe Road North, and Mrs Elizabeth Mc-Cormack, aged 79, of Sleigh Drive, both Edinburgh, Carhe-

rine Horner, aged 71, of New-field Square, Nitshill, Glasgow and Mrs Frank Forder, aged 43, of Sandringham Road, 3. Southampton, Mrs Ure's hus-band, Robert, is critically ill in hospital at Galashiels. The fifth victim is believed to be a visitor from India.

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LOOK WHAT'S IN THE LISTENER THIS WEEK.

ANIMALS AND MEN.

The full text of Kenneth Clark's BBC 2 programme last Sunday, which traced the changing relations between animals and men through 3000 years of art; from the divine bulls and falcons of ancient Egypt to Stubbs's magnificent horses. He also analyses the different roles in which man has cast himself-from worshipper to destroyer to guardian of animals.

THE LONG SEARCH.

The first of thirteen articles by Ronald Eyre about man's religious experience around the world, based on his BBC2 series The Long Search. This week he writes about Hinduism in different parts of India.

VIETNAM: THE UNTOLD STORY.

The Radio 3 interview with Major Archimedes Patti, who describes for the first time how American involvement in Vietnam began in 1944.

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The Listener

for people who want to know.

Howe challenge for Mr Jones

Sir Geoffrey Howe. QC, shadow Chancellor of the Exchequer, intervened yesterday in the Conservative dispute over party relations with the TUC and the trade unions. But he directed his challenge to the trade unions.

He recalled that last week
Mr Jones, leader of the Transport and General Workers'
Union, challenged the Conservative Party to answer some fun-damental questions. Sir Geoffrey said the challenge was remarksaid the challenge was remarkable because the answers should be clear beyond doubt to Mr Jones and because "Britain's long-running debate on industrial relations has surely reached the epoint when Mr Jones and his colleagues ought to be answering questions, not asking them."

Sir Geoffrey said it was en-couraging to hear Mr Jones adopting, in almost the same words, the principles that were the bedrock of the Heath-Howe Industrial Relations Act 1970. Six years ago Mr Jones and his friends argued that the law "should have no place in in-dustrial relations". That argu-ment was now dead, for the volume of industrial relations law that the TUC had required the Labour Government to place on the statute book "is so huge that the Industrial Relations Act has been dwarfed into insignificance. Even more important, although the Labour Government had made a great show of repealing the Act, they had in reality reenacted and maintained large parts of the original legislation, even if in

Geoffrey said. Did the substance the law represent the right balance for a modern industrial society? Was present trade union procedure for recognition as clear, speedy, or balanced as it ought to be? Could a system that allowed or required thousands of people to assemble streets in the name of peaceful persuasion be regarded as necessary or acceptable in an orderly society?

Sir Geoffrey said the Conservative Parvt was not suggest-ing any vast or speedy change in the particular area of the law. It recognized the need for trade unions, Parliament, and political parties to live together.
"But that recognition does

not deprive us of the right to propose changes in that relation-ship. On the contrary, it underlines our duty to do so: to promote debate in which we advance as rigorously as we should the arguments to which we believe society attaches importance."
On the closed shop, he said:

"We find it profoundly difficult to understand why the cause tif trade unionism . . . needs to be assisted by a form of industrial conscription, and all the intolerance that goes with it. But we recognize that others, remediates for

sur we recognize that there, strongly and sometimes for reasons which can be understood if not necessarily accepted, take the opposite view. And we recognize, too, the extent to which the law can be endangered if it is required to perform tasks that do not command a reasonably broad havie of convent. basis of consent. We always did recognize these things. That is why the Industrial

Relations Act did not, in fact, challenge the right of trade unions, on reasonable terms, to receive support from all those whom they claimed to represent. Conservatives amended the Industrial Relations Bill during its Industrial Relations Bill during its passage through Parliament to permit the establishment of formal closed shops in any particular case, where the union could satisfy an independent body that such a thing was necessary and justifiable. This should serve to put much of the present debate in a longer perspective. For we tried as we ought to have done, to find a fair and reasonable balance between conflicting interests.

questions to Mr Jones:

1 If a unions seeks a closed shop should it not first be able to show, by secret ballot, that it has the support of a majority of all the work-people who could be involved? Why do those who are elsewhere so ready to champion the cause of industrial democracy apparently reject the principle in relation to the closed shop?

2 If a closed shop is acceptable.

closed shop?

2 If a closed shop is acceptable to a majority of the work-people involved, why even then should workers already employed be required to conform, or lose their jobs? Why is retrospective legislation to be regarded as acceptable here, but nowhere else? And if they are to lose their jobs, why should they not be compensated for that loss?

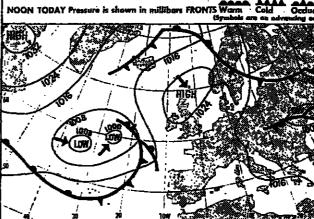
3 If a worker employed, or seek-

Today Sir Geoffrey put three questions to Mr Jones:

> Kingdom will slowly decline. Forecasts for 6 am to midnight: London, SE, central, E England, East Anglia, E Midlands, Channel Islands: Mostly cloudy, occasional drizzle or light rain; wind NE light; max temp 13°C (55°F).
>
> W Midlands, SW, NW England, Wales: Mostly dry, cloudy, some bright periods; wind NE light; max temp 14°C (57°F).

for that loss?

3 If a worker employed, or seekin orgbe employed, in a closed
shop is expelled or excluded from
his job by the decision of a
union or a union branch, why
should he not have the right to
appeal to an independent legal
tribunal against that decision?
Why should unfair dismissal be
challengeable in the courts if the
dismissal was made by an employer, but not if the dismissal
was effectively made by a union?



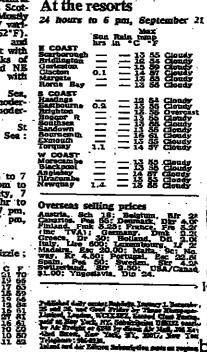
Scotland, Glasgow, Argyll, N Ireland: Mostly dry, cloudy, bright periods; wind variable light; max temp 12°C (54°F).

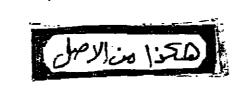
NE England, Borders, Edinburgh, Dundee, Aberdeen, Central Highlands, Moray Firth, NE Scotland, Orioney, Shediand: Mostlydry, cloudy, wind NE or NW variable light; max temp 11°C (52°F).

Onthook for comorrow and Saturday: Mostly dry at first with summy periods, but outbreaks of rain are expected to spread NE later; becoming less cold with temp approaching normal.

Sea passages: S North Sea, Stratt of Dover: Wind N moderate or fresh; sea slight or moderate or fresh; sea slight or moderate. 12.59 am 4.22 pm Full moon: September 27. Lighting up: 7.29 pm to 6.18 am. High water: London Bridge, 9.27 am, 6m (19.8ft); 10.14 pm, 6.2m (20.3ft). Avonmouth, 2.43 am, 10m (32.8ft); 3.36 pm, 10.3m (34ft). Dover, 7.9 am, 5.6m (18.3ft); 7.57 pm, 5.7m (18.6ft). Hull, 1.35 am, 6.1m (20ft); 2.37 pm, 6.2m (20.2ft). Liverpool, 7.17 am, 7.6m (25ft); 7.55 pm, 7.9m (26ft). Sea passages: S. North Sea, Strait of Dower: Wind N moder-ate or fresh; sea slight or moder-ate. English Channel (E), St. George's Channel, Irigh Sea: Wind NE, light; sea slight.

London: Temp: max, 7 am to 7 pm, 13°C (35°F); min, 7 pm to 7 am, 9°C (48°F). Humdity, 7 pm, 90 per cent. Rain, 24 hr to 7 pm, frace. Sun, 24 hr to 7 pm, nil. Bar, mean sea level, 7 pm, 1,019.3 milibars = 29.53in.





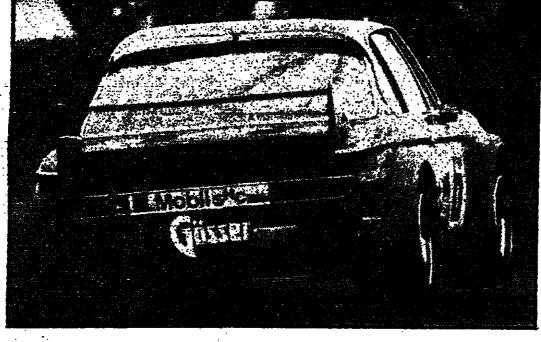
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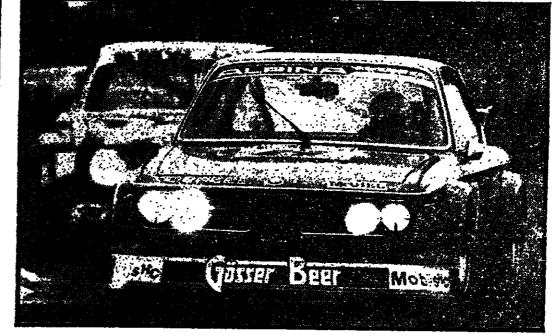
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Wedliketothankour competition for trying so hard.







Results of the RAC Tourist Trophy Race, a round of the European Touring Car Championship: 1st. Alpina BMW CSL driven by Quester and Walkinshaw (Average winning speed 105.5mph)

2nd. Luigi BMW CSL 3rd. Luigi BMW CSL 4th. Leyland Jaguar XJ 5.3C

Class 'C' Group II up to 2 Litres:

1st. Heyco BMW 320i 2nd. Alpina BMW 2002 3rd. BMW 2002

Access Manufacturers' Team Award:

1st. Alpina BMW

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Fall in farm production | The man who 'rules out hope of £600m import saving'

From Our Veterinary Correspondent Swansea

After an extraordinary in-crease in productivity and the greatest technological revolution in its history. British no longer a reliable world food agriculture has temporarily run out of steam, Sir Emrys Jones, Principal of the Royal Agricultural College, told the British Veterinary Association yester-

day. Sir Emrys, who was giving the Wooldridge memorial lecture, in Swansea, said that in the past three decades cereal production had increased fivefold, and that of meat and milk had doubled. The barvesting of most crops was almost completely mechanized. Man-hours for wheat production had fallen from 82 in 1950 to 16 in 1976, during which time wheat vields had increased by 60 per cent. All that had been achieved with half the agricultural labour and a surjoint of the surjoint

more fundamental had caused the first decline in agricultural net output for a quarter of a century. That ruled out import saving of £600m by the early 1980s, at a time when there was surplus and made Britain increasingly vulnerable to wild fluctuations in world food

Sir Emrys said there was little to suggest that future prices for the British farmer would compensate for increased costs and encourage invest-ment. Discouragement of agricultural production would probably multiply and accelerate. Urban society was concerned about the methods of modern farming, the welfare of farm animals in intensive units, the

been become even more efficient, and new initiative was needed. Sir Emrys deplored the loss of land, recently running at 148.000 acres a year.

The White Paper, Food from our nesources, in 1975 expected a growth rate of net produce of 2.5 per cent a year, and all agreed that that seemed feasible at the time. Today it was clear that the objective were unattained. and all agreed that that seemed from disease was about £1,000m a year. "Can we as a nation was clear that the objectives were unattainable. Sir Emrys and administrators must be persuaded that invest-It was true that there had ment in preventive farm been two disastrous seasons medicine was a potential new climatically, but something dimension in agricultural policy.

Call to set up 'community risks' advisory service

By Our Science Editor

A proposal for an experiment with a new type of organization called a "community risks advisory service" has been made by the Council for Science and Society. The idea is to provide advice for particular occupational groups and concludes that there are obvious

Acceptability of Risks, published as a special report today.
The findings are bound to provoke controversy in that the report argues that scientific and technological advance has overcome many commonplace risks in the communty, but has created more serious ones,

in the community, but has created more serious ones, which are sametimes had to define and to eliminate.

The Flixborough explosion and the release of tetrachlorodible benzo-p-dioxin at Seveso were among the accidents examined by a working party including Brigadier R. L. Allen, former Chief Inspector of Land Service Ammunition; Professor Eric His battery factory, staffed by refugee labour, was helped by refuge labour, was helped by refugee labour, was

. From the study the group concludes that there are obvious with rechnical developments. It is one outcome or a study, The Acceptability of Risks tions involving costs, benefits, probabilities and notions of acceptability, and above all questions of choice.

The group regrets that "hazards of all sorts have been shanefully neglected in scientific and technological re-search". The official agencies

collected companies leaves £50m

By Alan Hamilton Mr Gerson Berger, whose name was a household word to some of his 500,000 tenants, died in the East End of London on Tuesday night aged 82. He leaves behind assets estimated at £50m and a reputation as the largest private landlord in Britain.

Mr Berger died at the home of his sister, Sarah, in an unremarkable terrace house in Gilda Crescent, Clapton. For many years before his death he had occupied a shabby, peeling, ground-floor flat in Hackney owned by Wise Pro-ducts, one of the 350 companies in which the Berger family had a stake. It was the headquarters of a remarkable property empire, which scretched from Brighton to Glasgow.

Little is known of Mr Berger, except that he arrived as a penniless immigrant from Romania in the 1920s, and came to own half a million properties. Those who attempted to throw light on his affairs described him as the Howard Hughes of the property world, and the Jewish Chronicle once ascribed to him the axiom that property was God's gift to the

Mr Berger was a prominent member of the Sotmarer, a Jewish sect so strict that it does not even recognize Israel, because it is a secular state. All his spare moments were reported to be spent in prayer, and he gave large charitable

and he gave large charitable donations for the founding of a Talmudic college and three primary schools in London, all of which taught the extreme orthodox views of his religion. He was born in Poland but spent most of his early life in Romania, where he set up in business as a clothing manufacturer. He came to London, penniless, in the 1920s to escape persecution, and borrowed £3 from a friend.

With that money he bought a sack of dried beans, sold it from door to door, and earned the nickname of Getzel the bean the nickname of Getzel the bean man. With the bean profits he set up a rag stall, but his real break came during the war, when he set up an East End factory to manufacture torch batteries, a highly prized commodity at the rime.

His battery factory, staffed by



Susan Jackson, aged 17, of Altrincham, Greater Manchester, at the Kellogg's National Exhibition of Children's Art at The Mall Galleries, London, yesterday, with the self-portrait that won her £400.

Courting the Scottish voter 3

Frustrating time for the Liberals

The Liberal dilemma in Scot-The Liberal dilemma in Scot-land appears to be that of hav-ing many good policies but little appeal as a third party or even a protest vote. Scots clearly feel that a protest with a more emphatic Scottish stamp, in the form of an SNP vote, is the most effective way of calling Westminster's attention north of the border.

That attitude really developed between the February and October elections in 1974 and in Inverness turned Mr Russell Johnston's seat from safe to marginal. The SNP moved from fourth to second place.

"It is difficult to argue against nationalism. Scots are

nationalist and proudly so, but the nationalist party has tried to project the SNP as the only out-let for this pride, which is what people like me resent most", the Liberal MP, who is leader of the party in Scotland, said. Sometimes this new political logic works cruelly. An Inver-ness man wrote to Mr Johnston, thanking him for sorting out a difficulty. He added that he supported the SNP because it was the party that "got things done".

For Scottish Liberals particularly it was frustrating to be without the threat of extreme could anyone satisfy that by policies, but how much credit being straight, fair and opprespressed for a Scottish assembly with economic powers and a the Liberals for that?

Next: Conservatives

large degree of devolution, only to see the SNP reap the benefits with far more extreme policies. It was, after all, Russell Johnston who introduced a Scottish self-government Bill on St Andrew's Day, 1966. "You don't get bonuses for being ahead of time", he said rue-

fully.

There are some comforting facts, however. As the surge of nationalism carried the SNP vote forward, the Liberal vote in Scorland also increased

"I do not like speculating, but the rise of the SNP coincided with the rise in inflation and the discovery of oil, and a lot of people who at one time said either 'down with the unious' or 'down with the nasty businessman' said 'down with the English' instead. The appeal of Liberalism, of saying you must be fair and find a sensible solution, attracts the sensible solution, attracts the

respect of many but the posi-tive support of fewer."

The SNP had been a stark, single issue party while the Liberal view probably emerged as ambivalent and that had not have head and the state of th been helped by the pact with the Government. The fact was that Britain had achieved a period of stable government without the threat of extreme

It was probably the sharp decline in the Liberal majority that so concentrated SNP atten-tion on Inverness-shire. There must be easier pickings in Scotland than the largest constituency in Britain sprawling from coast to coast in 4,000 square miles of mountain and glen with an MP well known, liked and established for 12

years.

*I often feel a cross between ombudsman and social worker sorting out problems on all kinds of subjects which are not strictly my responsibility." That is before writing articles for newspapers, innumerable letters, speeches on devolution or on European affairs and filling the Liberal slot on television.

Mr Johnston was the first United Kingdom Liberal MP in the European Parliament, serv-ing on the political and the regional transport committees. Such extra responsibilities can-not help one man tending a constituency under pressure, but his agent firmly puts the rise

of the SNP in Inverness down to support from the young.
Liberals were the party of the over-thirties, and young people were seeking some new force full of vitality and change. How

Religious clash on Windscale

From a Special Correspondent

Religious views clashed at the Windscale inquiry vester-day. While the British Council of Churches was voicing objections to oxide reprocessing, 90 members of the Windscale Christian Fellowship made clear that council's views did not

coincide with their own. The fellowship produced a petition explaining its attitude on the nuclear issue but Lord Silsoe, QC. for British Nuclear Fuels, decided not to produce it as evidence. The petition

read:
We, the undersigned, Christians
working at Windscale, have
seriously considered the ethical
objections that have been raised against nuclear power in general and fuel reprocessing in particular. We are satisfied that, provided We are satisfied that, provided that current standards are maintained with respect to the surveillance of operations and provisions for future centuries, the reprocessing of oxide fuel provides no greater prospect of harm to present, or future generations, here or abroad, than does any alternative energy strategy.

That was in direct opposition

That was in direct opposition to the evidence of the council given by Dr David Gosling, lecturer in theology at Hull University, who said the council considered it unwise to develop exide reprocessing facilities on a commercial scale before a satisfactory scheme had been achieved for safe disposal of

The Rev Alan Postlethwaite, Vicar of Whitehaven, supporting the evidence of the council, said little had been done to mitigate latent unease.

Arrest warrant for woman in Keating case

A warrant for the arrest of Mrs Jane Maurice, aged 31, a former associate of Mr Tom Keating, the artist, has been obtained by Scotland Yard's art and antiques squad, it was learnt in London yesterdey. It alleges that she obtained a cheque for £399 by deception-Mrs Maurice, formerly Jane Kelly, now lives with her hus-Mr Keating, of Lower Park, Bedham, Essex, who is on ball, faces nine charges of conspiracy

BBC to restore radio cuts

The BBC is to restore some of the cuts made in its Radio One and Two services. The stations amaigamated for a 21-hour afternoon show at the beginning of 1975.

The move is the second phase of restoring radio hours lost in the BBC economy drive over the past three years. The corporation said the cuts could be sometime in

Health risk from reactor accident assessed

Ey Pearce Wright Science Editor

and hereditary disorders that cloud from a fast-breeder nuclear reactor is published today.

The research, by the National Radiological Protection Board, at the request of the Nuclear Installations Inspectorate of the Health and Safety Executive, is one of a series of preparatory studies. They will be needed by the inspectorate to assess the suitability of a fast breeder reactor for the operation of a

A report calculating the public inquiry. would be caused by the accidental release of a radioactive are indicated in today's report,

can define how much protection the reactor requires for it to be regarded as safe for licens

for each ministry

in recent years. But the recruit-ment of still more advisers, as

recommended last week by the

mittee, will be insufficient alone

to reduce that burden further.

it is argued in an article pub-lished today by two scholars from the Centre for Studies in

Social Policy. Mr Rudolf Klein and Miss

Junet Lewis suggest instead

that a recommendation made by the Fulton committee in 1968, but not fully implemented by the Civil Service, should be revived to fill that need in the

shape of planning units headed

by a senior policy adviser in each government department.

They would be staffed by a mixture of civil servants and

outsiders, work separately from

the departmental hierarchy, and

report directly to the minister

in providing alternative policy analysis to that furnished by

Those units would not be modelled on the French cabine!

system, as the permanent secretary would remain head of

the department and not give

way to a chef de cabinet. Nor

would they be an enlarged private office as favoured by

the expenditure committee, but would represent instead an entirely new administrative

Mr Klein and Miss Lewis

reached their conclusion after studying the development and

institutionalization of special advisers during the past two decades. Its results appear today under the title "Advice and Dissent in British Govern-

departmental officials.

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Planning units suggested

By Peter Hennessy ment " in the periodical Policy
The appointment of special and Politics,
advisers from outside the Civil
Service by both Labour and special advisers as "a symptom

Conservative governments has shown that ministers have underlying condition of ministerome overloaded with work terial overload and the need for reading terial overload and the need for the need for

power station.
Proposals for the first power reposals for the first power station using a fast-breeder reactor, CFR1, were made more than two years ago by the United Kingdom Atomic Energy Authority. In view of

One of its purposes is to assess the consequences of the most extreme accident that could occur. On that information the nuclear inspectorate

The worst conditions examined by the protection board involves the melting of the nuclear fuel in the core of the reactor and the release, by rupture of the surrounding vessels, of an intensely radio-

active aerosol cloud. Such an incident is described as improbable in a foreword to the report by the inspectorate. It argues that it is much more the safety and security issues of this new system, Mr Shore, likely that such a breakdown Secretary of State for the Environment has promised that safety systems and that the

readjustments since the break-

down of the consensus or "Butskellite" politics of the 1950s. At present they number 26. "hardly enough to fill a charabane", the authors com-

ment.
But simply to augment their

number would lead to conflict with the Civil Service, as a large

corps of advisers could restrict the access of officials to their

political masters and cause resentment. Also, advisers are

drawn at present from universi-

ties and party headquarters pro-ducing an "eccentric supply of people", inadequate for the

proper provision of alternative policy advice on any great

scale.
Their research was based on

extensive and anonymous interviews with special advisers past

and present. The authors detec-

ted differences between the Labour and Conservative varie-

Conservative Central Office and

saw their role as presenting policy to the public at large. The

university element was stronger on the Labour side, with advi-sers seeing their job much more

in terms of maintaining contact

with the Labour movement.
In general, the role of advi-

sers is to act as a loyal friend

and confident to ministers and to politicize Cabinet papers.

turning them into "exercises in persuasion" rather than the

monuments to compromise

Most Tory advisors came from

The core of the proposed 1,300 megawatt station contains at the start 20 tonnes of a mixture plutonium and uranium oxide, but during its operation much of that is changed to provide a mixture of 600 radionuclides.

Those products present dif-ferent degrees of hazard, de-pending on the proportion of each one, their radioactive life-times, the type of radiation emitted as they decay, and the form in which they are released. The characteristics of an aerosol cloud affecting dispersal and absorption by the body can differ greatly. One

composed of microscopic par-ticles can be more dangerous than another containing larger droniets.

Detailed discussions across

the country are to begin on proposals by the Schools Coun-cil to replace GCE A levels

with broader based examina-tions at the age of 18 and over.

The first reports from a total

of 16 on proposals for N (normal) and F (further) examina-

tions and curricula in different subjects are being sent at the

end of this month to all second-ary schools, sixth form colleges,

colleges of further and higher education, subject teacher asso-

cintions, major industrial and and commercial organizations, the GCE and CSE examining boards and others.

The reports contain specimen N and F syllabuses, assess-

ment schemes and question

papers, and are the essential groundwork on which the N

Parliamentary Commissioner (Ombudsman), is to investigate

the decision to phase out invalid

tricycles after a complaint about "contradictory" reasons given by the Government.

The complaint was made by a

disabled constituent of Mr 1011 Rooker, Labour MP for Perry

Bar, who passed it on Mr Rooker has also given the

commissioner a dossier of

letters from the Prime Minister,

Policy and Politics. vol 6, No 1, September, 1977. Sage Publications, 28 Banner Street, London,

and F proposals must be Flevel.

Invalid tricycle inquiry

Mr Morris, Under Secretary of be maintained, and this means State (Disabled), and Mr issuing the trike to newly Horam, Under Secretary of disabled who can or who wish State for Transport, as well as to drive," he said.

Schools to discuss plan

for replacing A levels

Thus, in judging the hazard, the fission products and actinides contained in irradia-ted fuel have been listed accord-

Correspondent

a planning application to build reactor would be safely shut ing to their volatility. Many of CFR1 will be subject to a down without damage. the 600 are regarded as public inquiry. Most of the calculations are negligible in determining the for the release of one tonne levels of exposure after a tions on health that would be

A group of 32 has been com-piled with the proportion of radiation dose that each would give if absorbed into the body to the lungs, bone marrow, testes, ovaries, liver and thyroid over periods ranging from hours to 50 years.

For a severe release, all the population within two kilometres would be expected to dia from early effects of radiation. The proportions suffering from short-term, as opposed to longer-term, lethal effects are calculated for distances up to 10km from the site of the accident.

An Estimate of the Radiological Consequences of Notional Acciden-tal Releases of Radioactivity from a Fast-Breeder Reactor, NRPB-R53 (National Radiological Protection Board, Harwell, Didcot, Stationery Office, 53.50).

judged, the Schools Council says. A second batch of reports will be sent out in October.

posals are not wanted, however, until after an overall evalua-

tion of the N and F programme is published, at about Easter next year. Another report on how the proposals will affect resources at schools and colored in the proposals will affect the second or the proposals will affect the proposals will affect the proposals will affect the proposals will be proposed and colored to the proposals will be proposed to the proposed to the

leges is expected earlier in the

The Schools Council does not plan to decide before mid-1979 whether to make a submission

to the Secretary of State for Education and Science recom-mending the replacement of the

GCE A levels by N and F-level

The aim of the proposed re-form is to broaden the scope of sixth-form study. Pupils will be expected to take three subjects at N level and another two at

further inquiries at the Department of Health, In the

light of the replies he received

light of the replies he received he has decided on an investigation.

Mr Rooker said yesterday that he was not opposed in principle to phasing out the tricycle provided disabled drivers could obtain a satisfactory afternative.

tory alternative.
"In the absence of such

guarantee the status que should be maintained, and this means

examinations.

Formal responses to the pro-

Teacher hit with rifle gets £25,000 5

An Ulster teacher, who was hit on the head with a rifle butt. was awarded £25,000 damages against the Ministry of Defence yesterday.
A court in Belfast was told

that Mr Patrick Devine, aged 36, of Rosemour Primary School, Londonderry, suffers from headaches and blackouts as a result of the blow. He has

as a result of the blow, he has poor concentration and finds it difficult to sleep.

According to the statement of claim, Mr Devine was struck when he tried to help his headmaster who was being abused by troops in November, 1974.

Council tenants' high spending on maintenance

Council tenants spend as much on the repair and main-tenance of their housing as local authorities do, itnot more, a report published today by the National Consumer Council

says.

The average expenditure on a dwelling by local authorities in the year 1975/6 was £67.2. while tenants spent an average \$86 on repair, maintenance and

improvement.

Aluch of the work done by the tenants wa the council's responsibility. Miss Hilary Robinson, author of the report and research officer in the NCC's social policy unit, says. The report suggests that tenants should be charged more for the cost of repairs by the council or that they should be allowed to do more of the work themselves.

Two charged in Mormon case

Two people are to appear at Epsom Mogistrates' Court today un charges in connexion with the alleged kidnapping of Mr Kirk Anderson, a Mormon mis-

last Wednesday.

Joyce McInney, aged 27, and
Keith Joseph May, aged 25, are
charged with kidnapping and
unlawful imprisonment, and with possessing an imitation firearm with intent to commit an offence.

Mary Bell loses

Privileges

Mary Bell, aged 20 who absconded from Moor Court open prison. Staffordshire, ten days ago, has been ordered by the board of prison staffords and prison staffords. board of prison visitors to forfeit privileges for 28 days. Loss of privileges means she is not allowed to associate with other prisoners in the evening or to watch television. She can not have a personal radio in her cell, visit the prison shop or go to the prison cinema.

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OVERSEAS

How CIA

spray LSD

into party

From David Cross

Circus ".

stink bombs

Washington, Sept 21

Rather than emulating James Bond in its activities, the Central Intelligence Agency

(CIA) this week produced enough material to fill a script for "Monty Python's Flying

During their testimony before a Senate subcommittee, partici-

pants in the agency's controver-

sial drug research programme have described experiments which backfired and tests

involving such bizarre apparatus as cocktail swizzle sticks and

Even Senator Edward Ken-nedy, the normally staid chair-

man of the subcommittee on health, was unable to hide his mirth when Mr David Rhodes, a former CIA agent, told how

an experiment to test an LSD aerosol failed because the weather was too hot.

Three CIA agents had flown to San Francisco to round up unsuspecting merrymakers from

tried to

French Union of Left determined to agree on common policy despite fundamental differences

From Charles Hargrove Paris, Sept 21

Leaders of the troubled Union of the Left met today to agree on a common programme amid scenes of indescribable con-

A week after M. Robert crisis of its five-year existence, he met M. Marchais, the Com-munist leader, and M Mitter-rand, the Socialist leader, to bring up to date their common programme of 1972.

All three, leading 10-men delegations, had to force their way through a jostling mass of photographers and reporters, at Communist Party head-quarters, falling over one another in the crush.

When they adjourned this evening, it was not clear hof long the discussions would continue beneath the portraits of Marx, Lenin and Thorez. But what is certain is that they will succeed in producing some sort o fagreement on the updated programme—even if at worst some points in dispute are left

in French

again; and the three opposition parties know they cannot afford a second breakdown to the Union of the Left.

Fabre, leader of the Left tions behind the scenes, which Radicals, plunged the three-have preceded today's meeting, Radicals, plunged the three-have preceded today's meeting, party alliance into the worst have brought conflicting standpoints a little closer, especially on the extent of nationalization. They have not resolved the fundamental conflict, glossed over in the 1972 common pro-

> On the one hand the Socialists and Left Radicals defend the society of free enterprise while the ultimate aim of the Communists is a collectivist system. Beyond the controversies over the national minimum wage, differentials, nationalization and defence, that is the pub of the matter. The Left Radicals' walk-out last differentials, week made this quite clear.
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> The Communits have made some concessions. They pro-bably realized that they upped

the stakes too much in recent weeks, and that this damaged their image in public opinion, as

They have dropped the pro-posal to nationalize oil companies and Pengeot-Citroen, and But all concerned agree that the going will be tough. The week of contacts and advantage in the original resources. But they ore intractable on the nationalization of steel.

The socialists continue to insist that only the nine concerns and their wholly owned subsi-diaries be nationalized, as well as a few "strategic" firms, making a total of 150 or so.

On the provision in the 1972 programme for nationalization of other firms if a majority of their workers demanded it— which the Left-Radicals regard as the open door to collectivism
—the Communists have agreed to the Sociolist compromise for-mula of a reference to the constitution.
But if the gap on specific

points has been narrowed down, it is also still very wide on defence, the original subject of controversy between Socialists and Communists last summer.
The atmosphere of mutual suspicion between Socialists and
Communists has if anything
been worsened by recent events.

treme right wing fanatics, who have rarely been brought to justice; and "destroyed the last nets which serve to protect

them in the peripheries of the state's services". This is an

allusion to the secret services which are reported to have been

El Pais also criticized in-directly Señor Rodolfo Martin Villa, the Interior Minister, who "will have to show more con-vincingly when the time comes that he really defends while

that he really defends public

The bomb attack is likely to

add to the growing criticism of

the minister. The Socialists last

weeks tried unsuccessfully to

call for his dismissal in a Cortes

debate on law and order.

bars to test the efficacy of the spray in a house hired by the agency specifically for drug experiments. All went well until the agents realized the party-room was not air-conditioned and all the windows would have to be left open because the weather was too hot. The only suitable room in the house was the bathroom and, unable to find a sufficiently good excuse to explain to guests why a party should be field there, one of the agents was reduced to testing the LSD on himself.

Lebanon

war zone

Continued from page 1

being fired by Christian Leban-

the ridge.

Abu Meyad sheltered with seven of his colleagues in an

old garage in Ibl el Saqi's only

street as the shells came over our heads with a great rushing noise. Several crashed into the

wall of a Greek Orthodox Church 300 yards down the

road, while another deafening blast demolished a bungalow in

ian Foreign Minister, is in Washington to see President

Carter and Mr Cyrus Vauce, the

Secretary of State, hard on the heels of Mr Moshe Dayan, his

The Jordanian and Syrian foreign ministers will come

here next week, and further consultations will take place in

Nations General Assembly, the event which has brought all

New York at the

From Patrick Brogan

Israeli counterpart.

"Apparently he didn't get enough, so he felt it wouldn't be very useful", commented Mr Rhodes. At that point they

wisely decided to abandon the Another former CIA employee described an experi-ment involving a launching de-vice for special stink bombs which could be used for break-

ing up demonstrations. The launcher was considered necessary because of accidents with the normal stik bomb thrown out of hotel windows. On one occasion, the agent explained, a badly aimed bomb had hit the window and bounced back into the room to his discomfort. The same agent also said one of his colleagues had tested or his coneagues had leated swizzle sticks covered with a special product designed to melt in liquids; a hyperdermic syringe designed to inject drugs into a horde through the cork;

and a thin strip of glass which, when stepped on, would produce a pungent smell.

The jovial tone of the hearings may well change, however, when other witnesses appear before the subcommittee.

Among them are Admiral Stansfield Turner, the new CIA director, and Dr Sidney Gottlie, a furmer CIA biochemist who is reputed to have been in charge of the drug research proof the Members

committee have made on secret of their intense distaste for what amounted to a series of tests designed to discover whether the human mind could be controlled by drugs. Although the project was abandoned some years ago, apparently without any worthwhile findings, Congress is anxious to ensure that such a programme will never be at-tempted again.

The Pakistan Supreme Court

application was made today which challenges its juristic-

Every 50 seconds, a group of of Mari appears to have fallen alestinians, some of them only to the Israeli-backed forces. Under fire in Palestinians, some of them only-boys aged 13 or 14, would-return the fire with a 75mm recoilless rifle from their hideout in a sandpit.

The Palestinians drank bot the Palestanans drank hot sweet tea from glass cups as the barrage continued, undeterred even by the shells which appeared to carry phosphorus. These exploded with long columns of white smoke that clambed into the sky.

phosphorous shell explodes in Ibl el Sagi, the Lebanon village from which Robert Fisk wrote this dispatch

Whatever the Israelis are admitting, there was no cesse-fire in Ibl el Saqi today, and the next few hours proved that the battles in southern Lebanon When one of the commandos ran his finger along the interior are now very serious indeed. In the space of just one hour, almost 100 shells exploded across the village and in Khiam. surface of shrapnel from one of the missiles, the brown liquid inside ignited immediately against his finger. Some of them were obviously

Southern Lebanon now seems to be taking on the serious political implications which Mr Yassir Arafat, the leader of the Palestine Liberation Organizaese gumners in Marjayoun, but the regular booming of artillery from the direction of the Israeli fromier suggested the Israeli Army at Metullah was taking a very active part in the battle. tion (PLO), attributed to the battles last weekend. The Israelis have clearly neiped to strengthen and stabilize the Christian Lebanese buffer zone The Israelis larer said they had fired into Lebanon. Some of the shells also appeared to be coming from those tanks on in the south-thus Mr Begin's suggestion of ceasefire discus-

—and have at the same time dealt an uncomfortable blow at the PLO's prestige. Yet the Lebanese Christian gains are not as impressive as they have been making out Yesterday they were claiming they had taken the villages of Karkouba and Ibl el Saqi after pitched battles. But when I drove into both villages today, I found the Palestinians were still in control. Only the village

Mr Dayan would not say yes-

is widely believed that he met

Egyptian minister meets Mr Carter

The few civilians still living near the front line are in no position to appreciate the more subtle political points to be gained from the fighting Ibi el Sagi, a place of broken roofs, smashed walls and windows and rubble-strewn streets, it totally deserted. But Rachaya Foukhar, three miles away, still has a few dozen old people living amid the nightly shellfire.

Each night they go to sleep in their disused church which is lit with golden candelabra and broken candlesticks. Sand bags ere stacked against the chancel windows to protect the

cottage were on fire this more ing while one old woman stoc in the square and waylaid an lost her entire family in space of a year She asks why the Israelis at

shelling Rachaya-if it is no the Christian Lebanese who as responsible. The Syrians see to have their own suspicions that question. North of the Arkoub, the Syrian Army hijust moved 20 Soviet made T! tanks into the fields along it main road to the Syrian bords This is the road the Israel would take if they were drive into Syria through mail 10115



fight against bureaucracy

From Our Own Correspondent Paris, Sept 21
The French Government has

once again gone to war against excessive paperwork. It adopted 101 measures designed to simplify administrative procedures in 10 different fields.

"We are going to suppress all this paperwork", M Barre, the Prime Minister, said as he left today's Cabinet meeting. "The question is not to save paper, but to save people and firms floundering under the weight of procedures and paper." The Prime Minister men-

tioned the fact, well known to any foreigner living in this country, that in order to obtain an administrative decision, one had to approach up to three different offices. "Henceforth, only one will be competent", e stated. He said that he had been

struck by the fact that no less than 70 different certificates or declarations were required during a man's active life to obtain social security benefits, pen-sions an othe like. insisted that a second group of measures be taken before the end of the year to simplify the work of medium and small firms. He was shocked by the remark of the Minister for firm which wanted to ship a container to the United States had to fill in 128 different docu-

It is not the first time that the Government has declared war on paperwork, and public opinion is inevitably sceptical about the practical results of its latest measures especially as it in this country is a law unto

As M Roger Peyrefitte, the Minister of Justice, has demons-trated in his book, Le mal Francais, the bureaucracy can obstruct the decisions of Parliament, ministers, and even the President. Some of the administrative rules still in force go back to 1885.

To obtain a gun licence—and there are over two million held in this country—it is necessary to get a stamp from the Credit Agricole, go to the mairie to obtain a form, and to the tax collector to pay the fee for the licence.

steps take up a whole day. In future, they will be simplified and carried out at the local

The 10 main administrative branches in which the new simplified procedures are to be introduced are social security and health, justice, the Post Office, education, building permits, ex-servicemen's pensions, national service, radio and television licences, income tax, relations between the ministries and firms and relations between the ministries and their own officials, which are no more simple than relations between the ministries and the public.

If the Government's intentions are really carried out, it will take only a fortnight, for instance to obtain a Buccalaureat (GCE) certificate. At present, because this takes so long, a provisional attestation is issued, pending dispatch of the tormal document.

To obtain social aid to

indigent persons no less than 12 forms have to be filled in at present, in future only one will be necessary.

From Christopher Warman

The Greater London Council

is to campaign for the estab-

lishment of a free port in Loudon to help revive its derelict dock area. This controversial proposal will require permis-

sion from the Government, but the council is determined to press ahead with the project.

As a first step, a council dele-

gation took the opportunity during the world congress in

Hamburg of the International

Union of Local Authorities to visit the city's own thriving

Armed with evidence of the

success of the free port here,

the council is to prepare its

Local Government

Hamburg, Sept 21

Correspondent

Fresh round | Newspapers' protest after bomb attack The newspaper El Pais said in a leading article today that it was about time the Government "controlled the uncontrollables", the euphemism for ex-From Our Correspondent Madrid, Sept 21

Newspapers in Barcelona closed down for the day in protest at the bomb explosion in the offices of the satirical magazine El Papus yesterday which killed tow people. The Apostolic Anticommunist Alliance has claimed responsibility for the blast. The attack was condemned

today by newspapers, politicians and trade unionists. The alli-ance, which has claimed responsibility fo rexplosions in the past, admitted the attack in a telephone call to the newspaper Mundo Diario.

Mundo Diario.

Other groups have also claimed responsibility, but given the nature of the magazine attacked, which frequently lampoons the right, it is most likely that the alliance was responsible. The magazine had received numerous right wing

Brito in dies in attempt to save girl in Ibiza

Ibiza, Sept 21.—A young British tourist died in a vain attempt to save a West German girl with him when his car was swept away by floodwaters here on Monday, the police said today.

identified the tourist as Mr Charles Henderson Turner, aged 20, of Edinburgh, who was on holiday here with his parents. The girl, known only as Gerda, was still missing and was presumed drowned.

Mr Callaghan in Rome to meet **Italian ministers** From Our Own Correspondent Rome, Sept 21

Mr Callaghan arrived here tonight on the first visit in five years by a British Prime Minister for bilateral talks with Italy. Tomorrow he meets Signor Andreotti, the Italian Prime Minister, and other Cabinet members.

On Friday Mr Callaghan is seeing the Pope and will then spend a quiet weekend resting

Bonn rejects request to hand back Nazi fugitive

The Government's decision was passed on last night to the Italian Ambassador in Bonn, he

tary hospital in Rome on August 15 and fled to West Germany. He is reported to be suffering from terminal cancer.

Bonn, Sept 21.—West German has formally rejected Italy's request for the extradition of German nationals.

Meanwhile, the authorities have relaxed their news black out and leaked a report that an aide of Herr Schmidt, the Chancellor, has made lightning trips to the Middle East in chancellor, has made lightning trips to the Middle East in connexion with the kidnapping of Dr Hanns-Martin Schleyer,

is now at the centre of the battle of wits between General Zia, head of the military regime, and Mr Blunto, the former Prime Minister. An In what appeared to be an attempt to keep the kidnappers negotiating, officials said the trips were connected with the kidnappers' demand that tion to question the martial law order under which Mr Blumo imprisoned released and flown to a country of their choice in exchange for Dr Schleyer's life.—Reuter and UPI. terrorists

Herr Kappler, a former SS Colonel, escaped from a mili-

Germany based its rejection on a clause in its constitution

The spokesman said West Sextuplets of the world to

Leyden, Sept 21.—The sex-tuplets born to a Durch house-wife on Sunday may be visited by the only other surviving sextuplets in the world, according to a message made public today.

Mrs Susan Rosenkowitz,

mother of the other living sex-tuplets, born three years ago in South Africa, has sent a message and flowers to the hospital bed of Mrs Cornelia

Nijssen in Leyden.
"You and I have a lot in

London wants free port in dockland

ment. If the council obtains

government permission, it is hoped to begin setting up the free port area during the Con-

servative-controlled administra-

tion's present four-year term of

man of the planning and trans-port group on the council, said

after the visit: "We were very impressed by the flourishing activity of Hamburg's free

port. We will now examine the

possibilities of a free port for the docklands, its advantages

and difficulties, with a view to putting our case to the Govern-

ties have provided the necessary

infrastructure for transport and communications for the free

The local Hamburg authori-

Miss Shelagh Roberts, chair-

meet in Holland The condition of the Dutch children " is above expectation,"
a hospital spokesman said.
"They are suffering a mild
form of jaundice common to
the newborn, but it does not yet

require treatment". Hospital staff stopped giving the children extra supplies of oxygen resterday since the risk of respiratory problems had diminished, but they remained in incubators.

The sextuplets were regis-

tered at the Leyden town hall by their father today. The two boys were named Dennis and common: the only sextuplets by their father today. The two in the world," Mrs Rosenboys were named Dennis and kowitze's message from Tokyo Ivo, and the four girls Priscilla, said. The Rosenkowitzes are on Mirella, Patricia and Ramona.

paid for the remainder, invest-

ing large amounts of capital.

Michael Baily writes: A free
port in dockland, allowing the
import and export of goods for

processing or storage without payment of duty, would provide

of a Government-designated assisted area. As the Government has so far declined so to

designare London and the South-east, there may well be reservations about a free port.

In practice, London, like Ham-burg, Copenhagen, Shannon and many others, already has limited

free port facilities in its bonded

warehouses. The attractions of

extending these facilities are somewhat diminished by the EEC, which is already a customs-free area.

stimulus comparable to that

order under winds har baund was arrested last weekend. The Supreme Court yesterday agreed to bear a petition filed by Begum Nusrar Bhauto, the former Prime Minister's wife, which challenged the chief martial law administrator, arguing that the arrest of her ing that the arrest of her husband and 10 of his party colleagues were in "flagrant violation" of the 1973 constitu-

tion.
Today the legal imbroglio which comes at the start of a crucial general election campaign, deepened when an application was filed before the court by Mr A. K. Brohi, one of the country's leading constitutional lawyers, on behalf of the Federation of Pakistan.

party in the hearing brought by Mr Bhutto's wife and asked the court to establish whether it has jurisdiction to call into question not only the order under which Mr Bhutto was arrested but "any order made by the chief martial law

The Supreme Court's requirement yesterday that Mr Bhutto and the other prisoners should be brought today to Rawalpindi and lodged in a police rest-bouse was not followed by the Army authorities.

As Mr Bhutto remained in Karachi central jail Mr Yahya Bakhtiar, the former Attorney-General, who represented his wife before the Supreme Court yesterday, filed the second of today's applications. This asked that the detainees should all be present when the Supreme vincial High Courts as governors Court hears the petition on The Supreme Court has ordered a hearing of today's

applications together with the petition by Mr Bhutto's wife on Saturday. Yesterday it had set

offensive taken a step further today by Mr Bakbtiar. He also sought leave to appear before the Supreme Court to challenge the Lahore High Court ruling which last week took the poli-tical murder case in which the former Prime Minister is in-volved out of the hands of the judge who granted him bail, transferring it to a bench of

five judges.

Mr Bakhtiar's legal argument is that the Lahore High Court is not properly constituted, since the acting Chief Justice has not taken the oath required under the 1973 constitution.

till fresh elections.

In essence, today's moves foreshadow a lawyers' battle centring on whether the Supreme Court does have jurisdiction as a continuing funcdiction as a continuing, func-tioning organ of the constitu-

Zia-Bhutto struggle in Pakistan's highest court Sunday for the petition alone.

Mr Bhutto, who threatened suspended, or whether the last mouth "a crisis of jurisdiction" if he was brought before the courts, had his legal Karachi. Sept 21.—Security forces 'surrounded a small village near Mr Bhutto's home town of Larkens today and arrested five people for keep-ing unlicensed arms, reliable

urces said.
The sources said more than The sources said more man 100. Bhatto supporters had been arrested in the past few days for causing disturbances in Larkana, and several neighbouring villages in Sind province. Many had been sentenced to jail and lashes by summary military courts.
The Pakistan People's Party

has named Begum Bhutto as acting party president, replac-ing her husband. The party's executive committee, which made the announcement last night, denied recent foreign re-ports that the party might boycott the forthcoming elec-tions. It said the party would not boycott the election for any reason.—Renter and Agence France-Presse.

'Traitors' blamed for Honolulu setback

Russia send Mr Fahmi went to the State bope that even if no progress Department this morning to see can be made on the Palestinan Mr Vance. They saw the Presi and West Bank questions, it will dent in mid-morning, and then be possible to make some prohelp Ethiopi

returned to the State Depart gress on the Egyptian front ment for more talks. Such a ment for more talks. Such a ment brought Israel's Natrobi, Sept 24.—Hu rapid sequence of meetings is latest proposals to Washington, the equivalent of shuttle dip and they were divided into sec-Soviet transport aircraft ha: begun flying in MiG jet fight. tions: West Bank Sinai and to reinforce Eshiopia in terday whether he had met any Michael Knipe writes from Arab statesmen recently, but it Jerusalem: Rockets: hit ithe to widely hallowed that he mot smallent Cahlean town of Safad desert war with Somali ford today from Addis Abaha. The said the Antonoys had land, the first crare MiG airfraid is widely believed that he met an emissary of President Sadar, perhaps Mr Fahmi himself, in Paris last week. The Israelis ment Nobody was hurt.

the first crate MiG strirant at Addis Ababa airport.

They also said they had ceived reports today of renew ground fighting after a lull the main battlefront at Marda pass, the gateway it Ethiopia's mountain heartlest Ethiopia's Marxist milist rulers turned to the Soy Union for help after they pelled a United States mikric assistance group in April. It diplomanc sources in Addiplomanc sources in Addiplomanc were there to supervite work, some new Ethiopia. Ababa said that, it povers increases were there to supervite work, some new Ethiopi MiGs could be assembled a mids week. MiGs could be assembled a in the air within a week.

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ted to have been moved up the first time into relation. Ethiopian lines on the east front at the Marda Pass.

Power restored after Montreal blackout

Montreal, Sept 21.—Power supplies were back to normal here and in the rest of the province of Quebec today after a luge failure which trapped thousands of people in lifes and underground trains and disrupted street and airline traffic. The power failure happened when a voltage tansformer blew when a voltage tansformer blew out at a sub-station in north-eastern Quebec yesterday after-

lifts spopped, underground and main hime trains came to a halt and burglar alarms went off. Passengers stranded in under-ground trains had to be escorted to stations along tracks lit by anneliary power. At Dor-val airport, Montreal, air traffic controllers were forced to guide aircraft into landing without radar, Power men managed to re-

roon.

Traffic lights went out causing traffic jams in Montreal, fall—Reuter.

Mr Gromyko in US talks

Washington, Sept 21

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In Gromyko, the Soviet manent agreement can be composed in the Soviet manent nutual interest. present agreement. They hope The interim agreement on the Russians will issue a mutual interest.

strategic erms

Moscow, Sept 21.—Dr Edvard At the congress the Soviet tance of the leadership of Babayan, the leader of the Union was condemned in a American and British associated delegation to the World resolution and faced repeated tions. In a breach of production and faced repeated tions. Congress on Psychiatry, has criticism from officials and accused a the betrayers of our organizations over the abuse of Motherland of having helped psychiatry in the country.

The Babayan interview was into a propaganda attack on the alleged abuse of psychiatry in ports appearing in the Soviet

the Soviet Union. Dr Babayan, the Soviet Minister of Public Health, in a lengthy interview with the authoritative Soviet weekly
Literaturnaya Gazeta, said
American and British delegates monopolized the congress, forc-ing his country into a limited

made by American psychia-trists, Dr Bubayan stated. "Reports with a definite Reports with a definite tributed in the corridors and Dr Beways said the Sev with the tasks of the congress hallways of the building where claims and said the Sev were delivered, too. Reports by the discussion took place. Union's laws on involunt scientists from other countries, Present there were also resident were aimed at including the Soviet Union, some of the betrayers of our holding the interests of turned out to be the last in the Motherland who turned up in patient and, of countries turned out to be the last in the Honololu not without the assis interests of society. If I

media over the past two weeks. These claimed that the Central Intelligence Agency and pro-Zionist groups were behind the effort to slander the Soviet Union at the conference, which took place earlier this month.
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Johannesburg, Sept 21.—Police who entered a Soweto church today during a memorial service for Steven Biko, the black activist, shot dead a black younn, aged 15, as people fied, according to a reporter on the African newspaper The World. He said that the youth, William Mdladlamba, was shot in the head and died almost immediately and a teenage girl, Violet Mangeni, was taken to bospital with a bullet wound.

"The police went into the church while the service was going on," the reporter said. "Some of the people were beaten and a cross was ripped off the wall.

"People started running out. They were running in all direc-tions and then the police started

"William Mdladlamba was shot in the head and he died in the yard of a house not far from the church", the reporter

said,
The Soweto police chief,
Brigadier Jan Visser said
earlier that police had fired
shots and used rubber bullets and baton charges to break up groups of stone-throwing black youths at two Sowero churches today. He said then: "At this stage we do not know whether anyone was hit."

Memorial services were held in several Soweto churches tofor Mr Biko the honorary president of the Black People's Convention, who died in deten-tion ine days ago.

Officials of the University of

the Western Cape, on the out-skirts of Cape Town, called in police today to stop students stoning buildings Students at the mainly Coloured (mixed race) university

to protest against what they said was "inferior education" being offered to them.-Reuter

and UPI.

Eric Marsden writes from Johannesburg: Opposition parties in South Africa, caught on the hop by the Prime Minister's snap election announcement, plan to committee the issue

plan to campaign on the issue of human rights. They have few illusions that they can make any serious im-pression on the National Party's majority of almost three to one over all others, in spite of criticism of some of the Govcriticism of some of the Gov-ernment's recent actions. The election may, though, put an end to the confused state of the Opposition groups. The newly formed Progressive Federal Party (PFP), which has only 18 of the 48 non-National-ist seats, confidently expects it will emerge as the main Oppo-sition party.

sition party. Its leaders, who include lead-ing liberals such as Mrs Helen Suzman, expect to make heavy inroads on the 24 seats of the New Republic Party, led by Sir de Villiers Graaff, and the six of the South Africa Party. There are no moves so far to form an Opposition coalition. The election plan has met with mixed reaction. Mr Vorster's motives in attributing

it to "foreign meddling" have been strongly criticized, but he has been praised for heeding advice that he should not introduce the proposed new constitution setting up separate parlia-ments for whites, Coloureds and Indians without getting a wider vote of approval than that of the four regions of the Leading article, page 15

Nuclear nations' anxiety over US policy continues

President Carter's tough sensitive nuclear materials and plant, designed to prevent the proliferation of weapons, continues to trouble members of the secretive 15-nation Nuclear Suppliers Club, who share the

A two-day meeting of the group which ended in London yesterday was described as " not particularly happy" by reliable sources, despite some welcome recent signs of flexibility on the part of the Americans.

The main aim of the meeting was to tighten up the language of the guidelines on nuclear exports which the seven original members of the clubthe United States, Soviet Union, Britain, France, West Germany, Canada and Japan—hammered out in their first meetings in London in 1975.

The eight new members from west and east Europe agreed to insist on the same safeguards against the proliferation of nuclear weapons.

At this week's meeting, a revised and more detailed version of rhese guidelines was con-sidered. One question left over from the April meeting was the imposition of sanctions on recipients who acted in breach of undertakings given when sign-

Such sanctions would involve cutting off the supply of nu-clear materials, equipment and technology by all members of

Church report attacks Smith regime for its use of violence and propaganda against black population

Catholics blame Army for terror

By David Spanier Diplomatic Correspondent An attack on the Rhodesian regime's propaganda methods was published in London yesterday by the Catholic Commission for Justice and Peace in Rhodesia, in spire of the arrest recently of four of its members. its members.

The commission's new report, The Propaganda War, claims that, although the regime tect the people of Rhodesia, in reality its authorities harass, terrorize, torture and kill black civilians in a futile attempt to win the civil war". As support for the nationalist cause has increased, the report says, the propaganda has become increasingly strident. "It takes several forms: displaying the mutilated corpses of guerrillas and distributing

The latest element in the syphological warfare is the A number of instances of killings or arrocities are reported, with photographs.

Mr Geoffrey Feltoe, lecturer in law at the University of Rhodesia, said at a press conference in London yesterday to launch the report:

"Perhans the mest serious." leaflets depicting the guerrillas os 'mad dog terrorists',

leaflets depicting the guerrillas as 'mad dog terrorists', responsible for killing, rape and spreading venereal disease."

The report also includes an analysis of the regime's policy of rounding up Africans into "protected villages," where it is estimated that there are now half a million Africans in conditions of great hardship.

"It is clear that some of the atrocities of the war are committed by the Rhodesian security forces," it says. "Indeed, the judgment of many missionaries on the spot is that the aries on the spot is that the Army is responsible for the bulk of the terrorizing, brutality and killing of civilians."

The commission adds that, although the Government

displaying the mutilated corpses of guerrillas and distributing accuses the guerrillas of victimation of them accompanied by threats, warning the black population that if they cooperate with the guerrillas they will be killed. that it is responsible for most

not be accepted and the Patrio-

tic Front would attempt a mili-

tary coup. The presence of a so-called United Nations peace-

keeping force gave no reason for solace or assurance. The record elsewhere was not

Mr Cronje asked the British

and American Governments if

they wanted a political solution

that satisfied the majority of black and white Rhodesians, or

one that would be imposed to

satisfy their own objectives and

aims and those of the United Nations, the communist powers and the five "front-line"

The presidents, he said, sanc-

rimoniously called for free elections in Rhodesia and basic

buman rights, but at least two

of them, Angola and Mozam-bique, had never held elections.

present artitude of the Patrio-tic Front, will the British and American Government equally apply pressure against Mozam-

Patriotic Front is not prepared to cooperate", he said.

ment, as in the past, once again

accede to the demands of the Patriotic Front?"

attacked:

attacked two trains in Rhodesia during the past 24 hours, killing

one railway worker and wound-

The main attack was made

today, 10 miles from Victoria

nationalist guerrillas

"Or will the British Govern-

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Trains

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of the terror in the country."

A number of instances of kill-

"Perhaps the most serious myth which the commission has sought to expose is the Govern-ment line that the Rhodesian

ment line that the Rhodesian security forces are fighting to protect the rights of all people in Rhodesia and are not fighting only to preserve white privileges.

"Hand in hand with this argument", Mr Feltne said, "is the contention that the security forces are there to protect and safeguard the rural African population from the guernillas. In fact, there is widespread feer oppuration from the guerralas. In fact, there is widespread fear of and hostility towards the security forces on the part of rural Africans in the operational areas, and these feelings are well justified in themselves."

Guerrilla war to cost Rhodesia £15m more

From Our Correspondent Salisbury, Sept 21

An additional 15m Rhodesian dollars (515m) is to be allocated to fight the guerrilla war, Mr David Smith, Minister of Finance, announced in Parlia-ment today.

The original estimate in July of 200m dollars had been revised, he said. He now needed to provide another 15m dollars for security and 900,000 dollars for servicing debts.

Mr Smith was reintroducing his Budget, which lapsed with the dissolution of the last Parliament for the August 31 general election. He said the international economic outlook was far from promising.
Mr Rowan Cronje, Minister
of Man lower, said today that,

if the security forces were disbanded, as suggested by the Auglo-American settlement pro-posals, a military dictatorship similar to those in Angola and Mozamirique could evolve here.

He told civil servants at their annual meeting that the country was threatened on three fronts -military, political and economic. The Patriotic Front, led by Mr Joshua Nkomo and Mr Robert Mugabe, had indi-cated that they were interested only in a revolutionary society in Rhodesia.

This meant nothing less than totalitarianism, with an absolute lack of freedom and justice, Mr Cronje said. This was abhorrent white Rhodesians. It would mean a country of squalor, chaos, lack of opportunity and

tragedy. The Patriotic Front had stated publicly that it was not interested in elections. If such elec-tions were held, and the Patriotic Front would surely lose, the decision of the people would

Fears for Brazilian

By Peter Strafford There is growing concern in London over the fate of Senho Lourenço Diaféria, a Brazilian journalist who was arrested in Sao Paulo last week on a charge of defaming the armed

the city's main daily news-papers. He has offended the armed forces with an article describing how a sergeant rescued a small boy who had

The sergeant was killed by the walruses, but the boy was saved, and Senhor Diaféria said that he preferred a hero of this sort to such beroes of stone from Brazil's imperial past who is the patron of the Brazilian

of the Army, and Senhor Diaféria's article has apparently touched a raw nerve. He has been charged under legislation designed to protect national security.

this arrest could herald a new drive against the press. There has been a slight easing over the past year or two of restrictions on newspapers, but

there have been signs lately that the Army is getting restive under some of the criticism it

Falls, when guerrillas opened fire with rockets and small arms.—Reuter. Lusaka, Sept 21.—Leaders of licly complained against dero-gatory references to the Army, the five "front line" states will meet in Mozambique tomorrow. It is their second summit within and has threatened that those responsible would be prose

journalist

Senhor Diaferia is a well-known columnist who writes for Folha de Sao Paulo, one of

fallen into a walrus enclosure in the Brazilian Zoo.

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America's **Indians** air wrongs From Our Correspondent Geneva, Sept 21

The many severe problems facing the indigenous Indian populations of the Americas are being given an airing here at a four-day conference arranged by non-governmental organizations in consultative status with he United Nations.

About 100 Indians are trending, some 70 from the Inited States, 30 from South America and a few from Central America—but neither Brazil nor Colombia allows indians to travel except under government sponsorship.

"The whites have a guilty conscience towards us—we must make the most of it", one participant said, and the Indians appear to be bent on doing just this.

If the word genocide can pro-

perly be applied to ways in which some Latin American governments have dealt with tribes they regarded as impeding economic development, it is being rather too liberally applied by some of the North American Indians. In addition, they speak as if the entire subject was sup-ressed in the media, whereas

n Canada it ranks second only the Quebec issue and in the States it is of longtanding concern. While the conserence's final esolutions may well provide esolutions hay well provide oftential anti-American amountainen, it would be a pity it this political aspect obscured he many thoughful submissions, especially with regard to the plight of Latin American items.

Prelate's plea Mr Russell Means, a Sioux to Uganda ader, hopes the conference may rid the world of "the erectype image". He sees milarities between the situleader on ban From Our Correspondent ion of Indians and that of outh African blacks. Nairobi, Sept 21

THE MINORITY RIGHTS GROUP'S INDIAN SOUTH AFRICANS

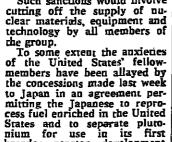
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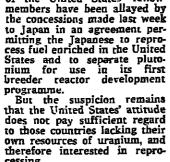
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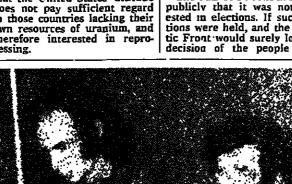
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Rut the suspicion remains







Four of the men said to have been used as slave labour, who were freed during the police raid on the timber mill.

Outcry over 'slave labour' mill

Canberra, Sept 21.—A timber mill near Brisbane allegedly using elderly people as slave labour has become an urgent problem for the Queensland Government, from which the Australian federal authorities are disclaiming responsibility. Australian Teogeral autonities are disclaiming responsibility.

Public outcry throughout Australia today followed parliamentary claims of abuses of the practice under federal law whereby elderly people can

The Anglican Archbishop of

Uganda, the Most Rev Silvanus Wani, has appealed to President

Amin to lift the ban imposed by his Government this week on 27

religious sects, most of them

Uganda radio said the Presi-

dent had met the Archbishop and the Bishop of Namirembe,

the Right Rev Dunstan Nsubuga, at their request. He told them he had received letters from Christians in Uganda telling him that missionaries working for some of the banned groups were

agents of the Central Intelli-

Protestant churches.

sign warrants passing their pension cheques over to other persons.

Despite so-called "concentration camp conditions" at the mill, Mrs Margaret Guilfoyle, the Federal Minister for Social Security, said there was no specific contravention of federal law, but the Queensland authorities were still investigating.

Queensland state police have revealed that six penniless.

Today. a Government backbencher, Mr David Jull, named two men, Dr Noel Hall of Ascot, and a friend escaped and went to the house of a friend in an outer Brisbane suburb who informed the police.

"Police and doctors were hornified at what they found," and Mr Deen said today they had been camp, Mr Jull in a further statement said he stood by his allegations.

Uses were still investigating.

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One of the men has been Queensland state police have revealed that six penniless, homeless pensioners released from the Belmont timber mill, had been forced to work for their employer without wages.

According to police who raided the mill the men had been working in filthy conditions.

In the Federal Parliament and cleaning yards often from 6

From Our Correspondent

India and China are trying to

find out how they can lessen the estrangement between them, without making conces-

sions on fundamentals. The

Delhi, Sept 21

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Chinese overtures to Delhi from India to China. The suggestion of a goodwill mission was first received by the India-China Society in the India-China Society in Delhi-The matter was taken up by the Chinese Embassy with the Indian Ministry of External Affairs in a roundabout way.

40 more police arrested in Hongkong Hongkong Sept 21.—Another 40 policemen were arrested on

spirit while they were held prisoner. Some had reported

broken arms and legs during their period of imprisonment." He said at least 200 men and

suspicion of corruption today.

This brings to more than 80 the number taken into custody sions on fundamentals. The fundamentals are:

1 Peking does not want to surrender disputed territory in occupies in the Ladskh and India's north-eastern frontier area 2 Delhi does not want to do anything that would affect its friendship with Moscow.

As a result, the two countries are looking at other issues. China sent a feeler recently indicating that it would like to send a goodwill mission to findia. Delhi's reaction was cold because it felt that, in an open society like India's, such a mission would have freer contact with the people and a better response than a similar mission.

The indian Ministry of External Affairs in a roundabout way. This brings to more than 80 the number taken into custody in the last three days. Forty-two were detained on Monday and released on bail this morning. The attitude in Peking is that successive governments in India, although not the people. have been hostile to China, so China wants to sponsor a good will mission to appeal to the Indian people over the head of the Government.

There was a long article in the People's Daily after the defeat of Mrs Gandhi's Government.

There was a long article in the Booking investigations into suspected offences of corruption. He added that these effences were related to a drugs distribution syndicate which operated from 1975 to 1976.—Agence France-Presse. with the people and a better ment, attacking the Congress response than a similar mission Party for its "misrule" which operated from 1975 to 1976.—Agence France-Presse.

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NEW BOOKS

Forward thinking

Mediations of a **Broomstick** By Lord Rothschild (Collins, £6.50)

dead. It in't just in productions of King Lear that rulers Rothschild himself) is tangled licensed to point out uncomfor- secrecy, table trucks in a pungent man-ner. Harold Macmillan's confidant, John Wyndham, is one recent example.

Lord Rothschild is another. But Edward Heath, being as stiff as cardboard, didn't have dnything to relexedly Edwardian as a confidant. He set up a "Central Policy Review Staff" (12, the Think Tank), and appointed him Director-

Rothscalid gives here his list of the functions of the Think Tank. Item one is: "Sabotaging the over-smooth function ing of the machinery of government." Tom O'Bedlam couldn't ask for a better job description. Nor for a job that more needs doing.

Nathani-1 Mayer Victor Rothschild, the third baron, had the right, slightly anomalous barkground. He'd had the career of one of the Great and Good, without quite becoming a member of that stage army He'd done scientific research (paicking fronge fic research (pricking frog's eggs, the Master of Trinity said witheringly. when announcing his Prize Fellow-ship); did a stint in military intelligence; and ended as research coordinator for Shell. He was also, of course, a Rothschild of Rothschild's. He had the dispassionateness, and mild eccentricity, that wealth sometimes brings. Both in this book, and to meet, he seems a allowed to sit in this nouse, very private man. He was 60 and I therefore thought it my duty to my and explain somewhen he took the job on, duty to try and explain some-Many of the chapters here thing of the trials and tor-seem preoccupied with age. One attempted antidote was to staff the Think Tank with people who were both young and bright. Some of them, to the Foreign Office's recent horror, were even female.

All over now

Chatto & Windus, £6.50)

Only the initial surprise has worn off. Prophesying Peace continues James Lees-Milne's racey wartime diaries begun so fuscinatingly with Ancestral Voices. It is New Year, 1944. It is life is still a contrast between tramping the land after country houses for the comparatively infant National Trust, and a classy social life: Cunard. Colefax, Connolly, Mitford, Nicolson, Pope-Hennessy at Claridges, the Dorchester, But more than in the first volume one is aware that the diary is often an alter ego to this round. As he says in his foreword: "A diary is merely merchy some his june 22: "Rocket bombs". July 25: "Conversation turned to flying foreword: "A diary is merely in has contained to flying the rockets of flying the rockets down—when they hit them—to explode in the streets". June 22: "Rocket bombs". July 25: "Conversation turned to flying the foreword: "A diary is merely to the foreword: "A diary is merely to the first wolume of the says in his foreword: "A diary is merely to the first wolume of the first w

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a day-to-day chronicle of events,

non-events and opinions, it will be full of inconsistencies and

contradictions. It reflects the author's shifting moods, tastes,

prejudices and even beliefs ... the candid diarist does not

That wretched old Ethel Walker ond her dirty old dog came to tea. She talked of religion and the spheres of heaven having recently been cleansed. How it benefits the world at this nadir of spatial circumnavigation I fail to appreciate.

But as the visit to Shaw at Avot St Lawrence showed (Saturday Review, September

11) he is an admirable reporter,

with a knowledge of architec-ture and furniture that always

Sheila Burnford

The Incredible Journey

£3.95

Michael Joseph

He can be devastating:

know himself."

In principle, it is good for there to be some hired Cerberus, "thinking things through". But any such group of outsiders has great trouble making its views stick on the insiders. This scems The age of jesters is not to be the case with the dead. It in't just in producneed someone at their elbows, in the usual web of official

The main lasting effect of the Think Tank may be on the people who have been part of it. Under Rothschild especially, it was like a very small oxbridge college, with no undergraduates. (Or was that the role the rest of the Civil Service was cast in?) I imagine that some of the top bureaucrats or academics of the future will look back in pleasure at their time at the lester's anti-court. ester's anti-court.

Rothschild emerges rather engagingly from these pages. But I doubt if it is the book his publishers expected. It begins with a charmingly written chapter of straight autobiography. The rest is a collage of existing texts from collage of existing texts from his bottom drawer. Addresses to various worthy bodies, for example: some of them less than fascinating. Many are about the organization of research—the subject of one of the Think Tank's more public

But when you think you have placed this as a fairly fuddy-duddy book, it turns round and bites you. There is a very good speech to the House of Lords in 1946: a plea for understanding after the King David Hotel in Jerusalem was blown up. It ends: "even I remember that only a few years ago my grandfather was the first Jew your Lordships allowed to sit in this House,

Or there is a transcript of a field telephone conversation in 1944, when Rothschild was defusing some explosive hidden in a crate of onions

illumines. In early summer 1944 he even provides intriguing evidence 'of the developing nomenclature of what we all know today as the V1.

index is particularly

helpful with the properties now

belonging to the National Trust

picked out in capitals. But I

the individuals in the text. He

ends on a low note, and it is

sad, too, for the reader when peace is in sight.

peace is in signt.

Monday, October 1, 1945: This morning I went—oh never mind where. It is not interesting. Besides my old typewriter has broken down, and I have cut the index finger of my right hand. Besides too, the war is over to all intents and purposes, so this diary ought to have an end, Its background was the war. Its only point was the war.

And the war is over now-to all intents and purposes-isn't it?

Ion Trewin

was the war.

EVERYOHE will love

wish he had annotated some

In the unlikely context of ar address to Anglican clergymen, he gives a (characteristic?) catalogue of the questions left in his mind after leaving the Think Tank. These are 14 of Here are three: Is it really impossible to have a decent housing policy? there a real danger of fascism in Britain? Is the level of sec-recy which surrounds the operations of government

Good, if not unusual, points. But be also asks: Are letters out of date? Should we be terested in airships? Is a interested in arisings? Is a garbage man in Coventry or a Yorkshire miner interested in Giotto or the Duke of Bevonshire's Florentine paintings?

In short, a quirky man, conscious of his own views and of how he would like to express them. But not a self-important

working relationships as good marriages. He and Heath apparently got on well. Yet Heath is both self-important

Heath is both self-important and about as quirky as a preprogrammed Dalek.

But there's a rub (which is one of the many things Rothschild does not write about, in his not-really-indiscreet book). For all the forward thinking, and for all the concern for administration. Rothschild served a government that was brought down by sheer political failures. What Heath perhaps really needed was a Feel Tank. Lear-like, he lost his kingdom. The right would say he gave it away to the unions; the left would say to the EEC. But he certainly lost it. Rothschild resigned soon afterwards. schild resigned soon afterwards He writes of his lepidop-terist uncle: "I think I can remember all 20 stone of him humbering with his butterfly net after the silver variety of the Small Copper. It got

The Think Tank still exists, though now without Roth-schild. But pure rationality in the Small Copper.

Passing

fancy?

Poets in School

Edited by Alasdair Aston (Harrap, £2.65)

Where the climate of feeling and thought is sensitive children are able to express themselves freshly, humorously and with astonishing insight. They view the world through the eyes of poets, they have the genuine feelings of poets, but their work belongs more to childhood.

The present collection, in

reiongs more to childhood.

The present collection, in spite of its excellent preface by Stephen Spender, does not differ greatly, either in range and quality, from many other similar collections. Its uniqueness is that the poems are the result of an imaginative project organizations.

which brought a number of popular poets into the classrooms of British schools. It is clear that their enthusiasm and

ing a great deal of admirable

poetry from the children, dealing with such subjects as love, death, school, unhappiness and the urban and rural scenes. Most of the poems

are forthright and do not mince matters. They reveal accurate observation and knowledge of

how to use words effectively in

As might be expected in an anthology of this nature, there are some pieces which fail to come off, and might be consid-

ered only as the ore from which complete poems are finally made. But it is a merit of this collection that the editor

has wisely included a wide range of poems and avoided

concentrating upon what is considered. In some quarters, to be "modern" poetry. There are some good traditional poems here, where

rhyme and metre are not des-

pised.

The visits of the poets to the schools are to be commended.

for it is a good idea for children and their teachers to meet liv-

ing writers and to discuss poetry

with them. Long may this con-

tinue. But it does not auto-matically follow that only poets

matcally follow that only poets can succeed in producing the kind of lively work which is here. Nor should it he forgotten that the writing of original poetry is part of the normal growing up of children, often no more than a stage in their emotional and psychological development.

Yet how many of these children, who live in various parts of Britain, will still be writing

poetry ten years hence, and how many of them will ever emerge as professional writers?

Our reviewer is a poet and retired Her Majesty's Inspector

Leonard Clark

development.

imaginative project orga-ed by the Poetry Society,

Paul Barker



Patrick Leigh Fermor

No ordinary traveller

A Time of Gifts By Patrick Leigh Fermor

(John Murray, £6.50)

In December 1933, when he was 18, Mr Leigh Fermor, then supposed to be preparing to become an army officer, suddenly decided that the only thing he decided that the only thing he Mr Leigh Fermor was an wanted to do was to walk from exceptionally well equipped Holland to Constantinople. This traveller. He made friends the did, and he now describes the journey, which took him a year and a half—or rather, he describes the first part of it, which took him as far as

nearly half a century, are descriptions of things and moods? Mr Leigh Fermor had diaries to help him only for the last week or two of this volume, and though ue has retraced some of his footsteps he has had to rely chieffy on a

he has had to rely chiefly on a phenomenal memory. But what really makes the reader convinced this must be a true record is the intensity of the enjoyment it gave to the traveller at the time. He talks of the "protracted moments of rapture which scatter this journey like asterisks." It was journey like asterisks." It was all new, strange, wonderful, an instalment of this remarkable all new, strange, wonderful, an instalment of this remarkable boy with "a dangerous mixture of sophistication and reckless-

writer. How completely this world showed his good a tee. This showed his good as tee. This showed his good sees; he has vanished! It is not just could tell that with Mr Leigh that over the next ten years the areas of the Rhine and ordinary traveller. Danube through which Mr Leigh Fermor wandered were

developed into a man and a

their inhabitants uprooted or killed, but that the days have gone when an English student in rucksack and hobiailed boots was still a rare apparition, and when a pound a week, sent ahead, registered, poste restante, was sufficient work-

ing capital. equally easily in farms, bars, Salvation Army hostels or the schlosses of the nobility to which classier acquaintances passed him on. As he says, he Budapest; the rest is to come.

As travel books go, 44 years is a long interval between travel and book, though not everybody rushes to publish—Doughty took ten years, Herodotus perhaps 30, and Moses and he is too modest about them (after three pages listing nearly half a century, are the poetry in four languages which be declaimed and sang as he strode along he comments— "a give away collection"). He was intoxicated by words, and sometimes they still leave a trace of hangover. But there are superb set-pieces, such as a Breughel-like description of guzzling Bavarians at the Hofbräubaus in Munich, which it would spoil to quote in extract, and many ministers of places.

and many miniatures of places and people which make the reader glad that Constantinople was safely reached and that there is at least one more instalment of this remarkable

new passport and lent him five pounds. When I lost my pass-port there a year earlier the same consul, as far as I can remember, charged a fee. This

E. C. Hodgkin

Dreaded territory

By Polly Toynbee (Hutchinson, £4.95)

Polly Toynbee spent five months, spread over a year, in the wards, clinics and casualty department of the London Hospital, bringing away assorted impressions of that weird world to which most people only have access when they, or those they care for, are sick in mind or body. For this self-appointed task she needed courage as well as pertination the marked an as pertinacity; she watched an orthopaedic surgeon experimenting on preserved knee joints, was present at a birth, at renal and peritoneal dialysis. at a conference on a geriatric mit, at the biopsy of a likely breast cancer. Bringing back dispatches from this familiar vet always dreaded territory, has she anything new to tell, or is she able only to deflate some

of the more absurd myths promulgated, say, in General Hospital? She's very good, and moving too, on the subtle alteration in the nature of people when they cross the frontier into ill-health. Why are patients so patient? she asks, and Your outside identity falls away us you become a patient. "I don't feel like a grown-up person here", the woman with a lump in her breast says before her opera-tion; and the medical and nursing staff use haby talk to these persons m umbo, telling them to "pop into bed" or out of

Some of the writing is slappy: I wonder if the book was dic-tated? Personal pronouns are tricky when female nurses are tending female patients; and switching from the general to the particular in the course of a paragraph, with changes in the tense and mood of verbs. confuses more than sharpens. I wish she hadn't invented the adverb "delphicly"—Philip Howard, please note. Nevertheless it's a good book

to have read, better perhaps for someone working in the NHS than or someone about to trust nimself to its care. A bit alarming, I think, about renal transplants, major abdominal surgery, the care of the aged sick, perhaps: but reassuring on the generally high quality and dedicated service of hospital workers. Where failures of humanity occur, as often as not humanity occur, as often as not it's exhaustion, shortage of resources, sheer recalcitrance
of problems that cause them,
and sometimes the nature of
the service itself. In the whole
book nothing moved me more, or set me more urgently think-ing about my own beliefs, than the words of an anxious hus-band wishing that he could show the depth of his feeling by making a sacrifice.

It seems to me that the most important things in life, health and the kids' schools are things I'd like to pay for . . but they are the things we're stopped from paying. I'd feel better if I could.

Edward Candy

fallacies (Allen Lane/Rex Collings, £4.50) The Totalitarian Temptation By Jean-Francois Revel (Secker & Warburg, £4.90)

When Jean-François Revel published La Tentation Totalitaire in Paris last year many who read it believed that it was a political tract directed against the coalition of the Socialist and Communist parties in France. Others who recognized that the work had wider international implications promptly accused M Revel of trying to bring back the Cold War-a common enough experience for anyone who tries to analyse the aims of international commu-nism or who suggests that the fashionable policies of detente may not be an unmixed bless-ing for Western democracy.

Some

basic

The book is now published in English (an excellent and graceful trenslation by David Hapgood) so that the author can be—and almost certainly will be—misunderstood and revited by a greater number of

The aim of The Totalitarian Temptation is to describe the method by which democratic societies are being gradually societies are being gradually tricked into accepting totalitarian values under the false guise of socialism; and to explain why the method seems to be so successful. As M Revel notes in his foreword, a suitable sub-title for the book might well be Why is United States foreign policy failing almost everywhere? As one contemplates the retreat of the forces of democracy in Asia and in Africa and the growing strength of communism in Europe, it does not come amiss to pay attention to some of the to pay attention to some of the answers put forward by M Revel.

The basic fallacy, as he sees it, lies among well meaning people who genuinely wish to see the capitalist system replaced by a socialist system and are misguided enough to believe that this can be done without eventually establishing a totali-tarian prison camp of the kind which now exists in the Soviet Union and in the "socialist democracies" of Eastern Europe. M Revel argues that socialist and communist are not, in fact, freely interchangeable descriptions. Socialists, he suggested gests, are those opponents of capitalism who genuinely wish to reconcile socialism and political democracy-who are, in munist countries are those in which a single party—the Communist Party-exercises all power—economic, political, legislative, judicial and military—lrom which, in fact, all democratic usages and values have been totally eliminated.

But, he continues, the whole social democratic school of thought has allowed itself to be put on the defensive, and to be regarded as a sort of watered-down Stalinism, rather than a distinctive political and intellectual movement:

Having lost its faith in itself as the only true leftist movement social democracy fails to articulate a creatise criticism of the Comnunists, except on those occasions when, having been kneed parti-cularly hard in the groin by the Stalinists, it bleats forth an appeal for human rights—to no quail of

Thus, potential critics of Stalinism are silenced or traduced into a dreadful com-placency—of the kind which led Jean-Paul Sartre in the 1950s to reply to the strictures of Albert Cannas on the Soviet concentration camps with the immortal words "Like you, I immortal words "Like you, I find these camps intolerable, but I ind equally intolerable the use made of them every day in the bourgeois press."
Not all the bourgeois press, however, for M Revel reserves some of his most elegant contempt for the American correspondent of The Guardian who dismissed Aleksandr Solzhenit syn in July 1975 as "the darling of the redneck population" and his books as the preferred read-ing of "this society's more Neanderthal brothers and sisters

It is not necessary to agree with every word of M Revel's analysis (I have some difficulty, for example, in accepting his implied comparison of Stalin and Plato on the grounds that both assume there is an abstract model of society whose truth has been demonstrated once and for all) to recognise The Totaliterian Temptation as a brilliant and passionate piece of polemical writing. Whether will have the impact which it should have is another matter. As Proust, one of M Revel's favourite authors, wrote:

The facts of life do not penetrate to the sphere in which our beliefs are cherished, as it was not they that engendered those beliefs, so they are powerless to destroy

In other words those whose minds are made up have no desire to be confused with facts.

Lord Chalfont

Quick guide

The Fields Beneath: The History of one London Village, by Gillian Tindali (Temple Smith,

not definitely shummy, only in Keep the Aspidistra Flying, dingy and depressing. There were real shums hardly first the streets in Now there are were real shims hardly five plants than aspidistras. This is minutes' walk away... But Willowbed Road itself contrived to keep up a kind of mingy, lower middle class geoisie flowed as the locomodecency. There was even a tive and household smoke dentist's brass place on one of ebbed. Yet, as Gillian Tindall

of them ... there was a green written social history, the population with 'Apartments' on it ulation has remained very in silver lettering, above the peoping foliage of an aspidistra." This was Kensish Towo, a grey wedge of London between the northbound mainline railway yards and Hampstead Heath, when George Orwell lodged in one of its streets in

the houses. In quite two thirds points out, in this attractively written social history, the popmixed; partly because (Camden) borough itself owns half the houses. She charts Kentish Town's progress" (which is not the same as Progress) from fields, to out-of-town resort, to slum with-genteel patches, to its present human kaleidoscope. some tastes she slightly too much on manorial rolls, not quite enough on the 1870-1950 period, when Kentish Town housed its largest Town housed its largest numbers of ordinary Lun-doners, among the dusty aspidiseras. But she's very good on

Snitter and Rowf

The Plague Dogs By Richard Adams

Watership Down was a straight-forward children's adventure story. The author and his rabbit expert. R. M. Lockley, conceive of rabbits as being-nearly human, so it was easy to anthropomorphize them and they were wholly credible in their rabbit-world. Only briefly their rather world. Only briefly do fictional humans appear. But Mr Adams must have felt that by choosing a real farm and its surroundings he would enhance his story, so he did; and provided maps. He is clearly concerned with this sort of internals whether reality and ficplay between reality and fic-tion. The Plague Dogs is set menculously in the Lake Dis-trict and the dogs wanderings copiously illustrated by maps and panoramas. But it was the story of Watership Down that held the attention, not the setting, and so it must be in The Plague Dogs. Lawson Park is an imagina

government-sponsored research station situated near Coniston station situated near Coniston Water. The acronym ARSE (Animal Research, Scientific and Experimental) sets the tone. Two tortured dogs escape from ARSE on to the fells. Spitter is a bit dotty owing to brain surgery and has a hole in his head. Rowf is a big strong rugger-playing sort of creature. Their dog-talk tends to be schoolboyish, though poor Spitter has his Fool-in-Lear side, and muddles words and images, but every so often kield. side, and muddles words and images, but every so often lucid carefully thymed eight-line stanzas emarate from him with the retrain "A lost dog seeks a vanished man", and variants of it. He is a complex "character" and his comprehensions and vocabulary indicate how much more of man Mr Adams sees in dogs than rab-birs. But hunger is their driver; they kill a sheep and consciously decide to go "wild". In this they are abetted by a fox which speaks a thick Upper Typeside dialect, and under its tutelage they go on the ram-page. It looks like an every-man's hand against them plot, and so it will be, but with a difference.

The fictional animals are now real enough to be discovered by actual people in the district, farmers and others, friends of the author's, who keep the story going and tangle happily with

his figments. There is an aboive hum in which a Mr Ephrai
(a figment) gets accident
killed by Snitter, and the doare really in the soup. Wiwill happen mext in this curio
set up? Enter the Press in t
"person" of Digby Driver,
nasty white his fills up.)
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The rest of the book is ponderous send-up of sen

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Novel directions

Farewell Companions, by James Plunkett (Hutchinson, £4.95). Enemies, by Giles Gordon (Harvester Press, £4.50). Migrations, by Gabriel Josipovici (Harvester Press, £4.50). Lorenzino, by Arthur Upton (Bodley Head, £3.50).

The Irish novel has typically been rather like a naughty but engaging child: you may dislike its boisterousness, noise and rudeness, the way it shows off and sprawls about but when it becomes subdued, you're un-

lames Plunkett has written

a book that manages to deal with a large number of explo-sive Irish matters, while being sive Irish matters, while being very respectable, low keyed and dull. He conveys little sense of energy, passion or rage, eschews verbal fireworks. Yet he is writing about people living through very turbalent times; about the struggles of the 1920s, when many of the seeds of today's discords were sown; about the power of both the priesthood and Freemasonry, the crises of Carholic conscience and the torments of young love. Between 1914 and young love. Between 1914 and 1939 there was poverty, unem-ployment, violence, and his characters suffer through them all, but with a curiously leth-argic air. Perhaps Mr Plunkett feels that a cool head and a calm prose style best serve the interests of imeginative truth. Certainly he is a stickler for realistic minuriae. The story is unremarkable and the three young men whose journey to-wards adulthood he traces, in among some confusing side-plots, are likeable and forget-table.

Isolated incidents, thumbrail sketches, stand out memorably. Tim McDonagh works Tim . desperately hard to get into an orchestra, only to be depressed by the rank-and-file players who live only for the interval card games: Brian's mother pours tea, fries eggs, makes Novenas, like countless other women praying and weeping over their men's political and religious battles; Willie waits in prison for the summons to his own execution. The early scenes, pinpointing individual buman responses to the Troubles were the most moving and convincing, but overall is desperately missed any real conviction, any evidence of the Irish imagination ablaze.

I find it impossible to assess Giles Gordon's Enemies and Gabriel Josephylici's Migrations with any confidence because L found them hard to read, belonging as they both do to a sub-branch of contemporary fiction with which I have never been greatly in sympathy. But I think it likely that Josipovici's is a more significant example of the genre and will add con-siderably to his hard-carned reputation as an experimental novelist—though probably both he and Giles Gordon would re-ject that handy but largely

meaningless adjective. For those readers who cling stubbornly to their taste for a modicum of conventional plot. with descriptions of people and landscapes. Gordon's book will be more immediately appealing and its strength is a marvellous sense of impending doom, built up strickly.

There is a lovely house ser-in a beautiful garden in some unspecified her country. One couple live there with their children and a strange an pair girl, another couple, with their

children come from England stay. Old friends. Welcome.) happy together. Are the Some adultery goes on. No o minds. Do they? Beyond inches house and garden, twillage. People sit in cast drinking, talking, plotting revenue. they know nothing 'aren't volved, are they?

It isn't as straightforward this, of course. The same six tion is viewed from a dos different angles, shuffled abd the same meal eaten repeated It's rather like a film bei think these tricks help any, cause inside Gordon's Chim puzzle is a fairly serious man

Gabriel Josipovici's no makes even fewer concession to the conventions of parrati It is an elaborate verbal a: It is an elaborate versus cerebral pattern of interlockle scenes, again endlessly repeat which combine to illustrate t point, "Everything migrat Frontiers are a fiction."

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Arvin Upton is a lawyer profession but, on the cyides

of this novel, he is also highly informed and passions amateur of sixteenth-tente¹ in Alice Italian history. Those who knowledge of that period is a line. scanty as mine can confident take him on trust.

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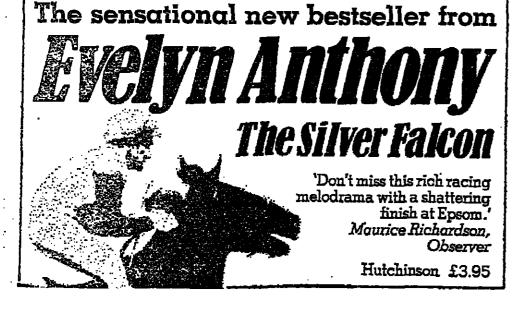
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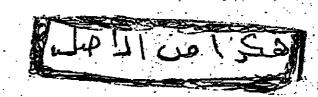
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then there is that porrrait of Wagner. I think that I have

put a little Wagner under the

belt while I've been here at Covent Garden, but there are

three major works of his I've yet to tackle, Lahengrin, Meis-tersinger and Parsiful."

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then I see no reason to change or to be unfaithful. Occa-sionally we have had argu-ments, but in the end they have agreed to most of the ATTENDED THE STORE OF MEANING THE GYMEN SIDE OF MEANING THE GYMEN SIDE OF MEANING TO STATE OF THE GYMEN SIDE OF MEANING THE GYMEN SIDE OF MEANING THE COMMENT SIDE OF THE SIDE OF SIDE things I have wanted to do-Berlioz, Tippett, Peter Grimes. Remember that they are not an enormous company with the need to satisfy the demands of a large roster of rival conductors. They do not have to go through the hassle of agreeing a project provided that Maestro A is satisfied with recording this symphony and that Maestro B is content with something else. We have got on very well together for a number of years now."

ODEON LEICESTER SQUARE (730 (6111). MEW YORK, MEW YORK (A). Sep. Progs. WI. 1.25. 4.30. H.U. Late show Fr. & Sat. Decomposition of the state of the Probably the most surprising Davis record issued this year has been Tosca. He had not conducted Puccini since his days at the Sadler's Wells company in Rosebery Avenue. The set turned out to be a considerable success mainly because of Davis's own contribution with the Covent Garden orchestra. Will he now conduct it at the Opera House? "I doubt it. Tosca remains

pretty constantly in our reper-tory and that means that it often has to go on without much rehearsal. I see my job as renewing the repertory, put-ting life back into works which have been unplayed for a time. Although, almost in contradiction to that remark, we are



plauning to record Bohème with our own orchestra, Cer-tainly the pleasure I derived from Tosca has led me to the earlier work. And if we go to Japan, as I hope, in two years' time then I'd like to Tosca together with Grimes and our new Idomeneo.

"Almost by chance I'm moving back into the mainstream of the Italian repertoire. As well as Bolume we have two Verdis planned, Ballo and Forza. This is virtually new territory for me and some may complain that I'm making the expedition the wrong way round, that I should have started my term at Covent Garden with operas like these. But I wonder if they are right. It could be an advantage to come to such works fresh and when you are supposed to be at the height of whatever powers you possess. I never want to be in the position of the opera conductor who sighs and says, 'God, another Trova-tore tonight'."

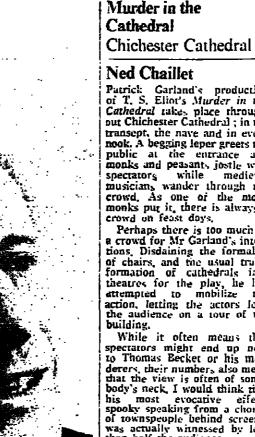
Much in the same way that James Levine, musical director of the Met, has announced that he is reserving nearly all his

operatic energies for New York so Colin Davis is keeping his theatre activities to London. The only exception to this rule may be Bayreuth, where he made his debut with Tunnhäuser this summer and where he hopes to return for the filming of the same opera next season.

"I stay in London because I am happy here. At Covent Garden our orchestra is all set to become a great operatic in-strument: it is fast-working, highly disciplined and good-natured. We have not been able to stage The Trojans in the way we wanted to for the opening of the season vesterday, but even so I've idomeneo, Tristan and Pelleas to come. That means four masterpieces in a row. If you happen to like conducting opera you should be blissfully content with such a prospect.'

A couple of years ago there was a lot of speculation on who was likely to succeed Davis at Covent Garden when his contract expires in 1980. The most likely name at the moment is Colin Davis.

John Higgins



Ned Chaillet Patrick Garland's production of T. S. Eliot's Murder in the Cathedral takes place throughout Chichester Cathedral; in the transept, the nave and in every nook. A begging leper greets the

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spectators while medieval musicians wander through the crowd. As one of the mock monks put it, there is always a crowd on feast days. crowd on feast days.

Perhaps there is too much of offering himself up to some a crowd for Mr Garland's intenhood.

The festival company of the formality into their feast-day.

of chairs, and the usual transformation of cathedrals into theatres for the play, he has attempted to mobilize the action, letting the actors lead the audience on a four of the building.

deters, their numbers also mean an impressive bonus, as are the that the view is often of some-voices in the choir. body's neck. I would think that was actually winnessed by less than half the audience.

Mr Garland's design has its merits. When the action swirls close to one it is impressive, but when the audience moves after it in a slow shuffle it becomes a kind of tourism and dramatic momentum is lost

It would be possible for the actors to convey the action

ing Ebor's rhythms, but the poetry is delivered melodicality. There can be no surprises when the rhyme and metre are always clear, and clear they are. sometimes at the expense of meaning.

Playing to expectations is a fault that also affects Keith Michell's performances as Becket, in his farewell appearance at Chichester where he has directed the festival for four years. He gives the character public at the entrance and unremitting sonority and monks and peasants jostle with solemnity, rolling off the serspectators while medieval mon in the worst chetorical style of preachers so that the sound is reassuring but the meaning lost. He is more circle rive facing down his murdere .

actors step into their feast-day roles with enthusiasm and conviction for the most part. Although there is some timidity in speaking to the audience that should be snaken off. Charles Kenting's direction of While it often means that the choir of Chichester Cathespectators might end up next dral and Mr Garland's integrato Thomas Becket or his murtion of the liturgical music ::

Mr Garland was right to the bis most evocative effect, to break from traditional forms spooky speaking from a chorus of production but he about of townspeople behind screens, have gone further. Syncopates choral change ore not really theatrical. He has not permitted himself the luxury of real innovation.

England has the actors and England has the writers, classed and modern. But England still calls its directors "producers" and treats them as glockneeds now are directors or vocally at many points, com-pensating for the lack of visi-bility by dramatically shatter-Murder in the Cathedral needs.

Soft Blue Shadows Sadler's Wells

John Percival

The new production of Soit Blue Shudows that was given its first performance by the Royal Ballet at Sadler's Wells on Tuesday is actually the last section only of the work André Prokovsky originally mounted for his own defunct company. Set to Faure's Venetian Songs" on poems of Verlaine, Songs" on poems of Verlaine, it is a work of romantic atmosphere, delicately conveyed by Galina Samsova, who repeated the leading role created for

her.
She dances two love duets with Prokovsky, the first quiet and simple, the second more impassioned, with a meltingly gentle solo in between, the whole framed in a carnival scene bringing on three other pairs of dancers. The fluency of the invention and its antness to the wistfully pretty music and to the special gifts of its protagonist help to overcome the fact that, although self-sufficient, the piece looks insubstantial out of its original context.

The music seemed to drag slightly; a marginally brighter attack by the on-stage singer, Rae Woodland, and the pianist, Hilary Bell, might have brought out more strongly the contrast purer voice although the sing-

ing was both accurate and understanding.

There are to be three performances this week, but now, is announced for the forse-coming tour. Simply to long. Samsova's quality, that fascinging gift for yielding from strength, to a wider poblic is worth unile but I hope the shall later have the choice in see other dancers in the rele and preferably the rest of the

ballet too.
In this week's programme it is given in double harness with another short work. The Moille as the centrepiece of a mirred hill. Herbert Ross's ballet adaption of the Genet play was being revived after several seasons' absence, and the new cast proves sadiy unbalanced. Following Gener's preference,

the maids are played by men. Desmond Kelly, like his pre-decessors in this production, plays Solunge in a completely masculine way, but Kim Reeder that makes the role look androgynous. That introduces : new and misleading secural relationship into the action and completely destroys the balance of strength underlying their games of submission and dominance.

Vyvyan Lorrayne gives their mistress a voluptuous allure. but having this female role played by a woman further complicates the obscure reaa jostling crowd. I would have what anyone not knowing the been happier, too, with a lighter, play could possibly make of the nships. I cannot imaziji.

LPO/Haitink Festival Hall

Joan Chissell An introductory note to Tues-

day's concert reminded us that Beroard Haitink had conducted the LPO in nearly a hundred performances of 30 works by British composers. To celebrate his tenth anniversary season he is adding Elgar's two symphonies to the list, and on Tuesday gave his first performance of No 1 in A flat.

Like several others in recent years. English as well as foreign. Mr Haitink helped to dispel the legend of the com-poser as a complacent Edwardian not yet disillusioned by world war. This was an Elgar as disturbed as Mahler, winning

often harshly in the second, which was strongly accented and driven for the gentler secondary theme to suggest an English of St Martin than the LPO.

river. In place of Anglo-Savini reticence the Adugio had a Mahlerian fervour. there a trace of pomposity in Mr Haitink's highly charged and throbbing grandioso victory at In Ecchoven's fourth plane

concerto, on the other hand, the soloist, Murray Perunic, era-phasized only the work's spiritual refinement and group after the drama of the thri. He played it with superfine delicacy and transparency, in fact with a touch as light as he brings to Mozart, except for a few moments such as the first movement's fortissing exception lation and the climax of the

cadenza. Tension was never stretchyd to breaking point in either the first movement or the second; in the first movement the indications doice or espression invariably prompted same edthrough only after bitter struggle.

In the first two movements it was notably, the bross that heightened the note of protest, to the work might have given at the scholarst term of the heads to the work might have given at the scholarst term. it to be eighteenth rather that nineteenth-century. Boothov it.

Jean Rodolphe Kars/ Udo Reinemann Wigmore Hall

Max Harrison

Tuesday's Wigmore Hall concert, the second in the Lisa Festival being pur on by EBC Radio London and others, was poorly attended, and it is to be hoped that some of the many other interesting programmes to be heard in this series during the coming month will do better. Those who stayed away un Tuesday missed, among other things, some plane playing of great poetic refinement by Jean-Rodolphe Kars, particularly in the long meditation of La Vallée d'Obermann.

That is an early instance of Lisat's exploratory vein, an aspect of his music that was at its most remarkable in his final vears. By that time he was producing works like the Eagutelle sans tonalité, a glittering yet strange insubstantial piece as played by Mr Kars

Funerailles is a middle-period item with a more conventional rhetoric, but it was delivered without excesses by Mr. Sans, us a funeral oration full of nuble sadne of

He proved a sensitive accompanies, also, to the besi-tone Udo Reinemann, especially in Lisat's strings of Pentarch Sonners with their demondate keyboard pers. Gi those, luckly, we heard the original sensions 1023 person, which perfectly matches music to perfectly marches music to

Mr Reinemann's performance was entirely sympathery, yet without a fully deflical character, lergely because his voice lacked sustaining power in the middle range. There were some fine notes lawer down, however, and raches more light, and stude to his tone in the third content Further songs included

Vergittet sind me'ne Lieuw. Liszt's terse congenitated in the ting of some characteristically stinging words by Reine. Mr. Reinemann Gid better, through Still more remote is Numes in Die Loreler, and er Electe gris, a phantom that briefly and Dujt with a more even to is materializes and then fades, and more conclusive phristory

which the Ocean and the Pulc

of Ediaburgh will be present

Crosby for gala Dean Martin, Bing Crosby and Pam Ayres are to join the monv other stars taking part in the

and for which all the stars are giving their samilest without fee, will, it is hoped, these about Elm, we're will be of theored to the Entertainment Artists Silver Jubilee royal variety per-formance to be presented by Lord Delfont and Lord Grade at the London Palladium, on Benevolent Fund, the Men's Christian Association, the Queen's Silver Jubilee Appeal Fund, and other charitable This charity performance at organizations.

Tony Doyle and Susan Fleetwood Photograph by Donald Coope

Too lonely a group of characters nte boy, when you lost your arm "; and he shows the torrent

The Plough and the Stars

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Irving Wardle Sean O'Casey has always been

unfair game for reviewers. His plays abound in the kind of petty faults on which we delight to swoop. They also rise to a pitch of emotional generosity and comic wisdom which we can rarely find words to describe. You might suppose that a re-

rival of his pacifist masterpiece at this particular moment, with renewed nationalist fury arising in Dublin, would at least get the play in proper proportion. But this reviewer emerged from Bill Bryden's production with little more than a catalogue of nit-

socialism to romantic patriotism and bourgeois anti-militarism.

of republican rhetoric first inflaming his character and then plunging them into the actualities of bloodshed. Doyle, the Irish Citizen Arm commandant, perishes and his wife goes mad; other innocent by-standers are killed. Meanwhile the traditional survivors of British dominion get through the day again, playing cards, snubbing the British troops, and looting with conspicuous valour.

Like Juno, the play swing; between the doomed heroics and comic compromise, and what binds the two elements together is the public nature of the action. Without that, all the passion and pathos is apt to come over simply as bad writing. That is what happens here. Perhaps the Olivier stage

may, in part, be to blame, but

not since Mr Dryden's produc tion of Il Campiello have I seen such a lonely group of The Plough and the Stars recounts the Easter Rising through the experiences of one group of tenement dwellers, representing every shade of a crowd. Geoffrey Scott's bar, a large reconstruction of smokefurnishings, stretches the full

place in the middle-distance As for poor Susan Fleetwood twho deserves a rest from un playably pathetic roles) without some suggestion that her be reavement is being shared by other patriots' wives, here writhing despair and final descent into madness is almost impossible to watch. In some ways, even so, the production is extremely careful.

In the first act you can watch the development of several broken lines of action, such as Fluther's price in repairing the front door or old Peter's wrathful preparation for appearing in his lucicrous Forester's uniform, holding all the characters simultaneously in sharp focus. Over the longer span, Carmel McSharry and a tank-like Anna Manahan beautifully grade the Grogan-Bessie relationship from open warfare to respectful alliзасе.

The virtue of the show lies in its articulation of small details. The cast, drawn mainly from the Irish stage, is led by Cvril Cusack's dapper, jaunty Fluther. | Dean Martin and Bing whose relaxation and unemphatic fluency sets the tone for J. G. Devlin, Tony Doyle, and the rest. Their authenticity is not in question; what O'Casey is not yet a polemicist. width of the revolve, a quiet lacking is any fresh relish for As in Juno, his message is: sadly underpopulated place those who do not already know You lost your best principle, where all events seem to take the text inside out.

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Fashion

by Prudence Glynn

worked adjectives in fashion recently has been ethnic". Ethnic can mean anything from a peasant blouse, a Mao quilted jacket, a gypsy flounce, or a smelly Afghan sheepskin, to a Mexican poncho. a Moroccan cape, a bit of Batik or tie-and-dye, or your actual djellabah. It has indeed been a word of great value to anyone trying to report fashion in the past five years. For the ethnic look hit us from two quite disporate sources and was marthe one hand, we began to note

doubtedly inspired by the designer's last trip abroad, or, for less wealthy Houses, at any rate, the last alien movie epic he had chipped in his francs to see. Dr Zhivago coats, to see. Dr Zulyago coals, Cossack hats, the sartorial charms of Marrakesh, the Steppes, the Himalayas, the Rockies, you name it, they had

At precisely the same time that the couture was staggering into an appropriate look, a whole lot of persons who totally disregarded fashion and its whims were adopting ethnic dress for their own reasons. To

Simpson

lost its magic; it stars in a strunning revival

at Simpson, DAKS pure camelhair herringbone jacker with suede elbow patches and

pocker detail. £149.00. DAKS trousers and camelhair polo-neck from a selection.

But the most interesting aspect of ethnic dress is that its appeal seems to be so attached to special areas. Are they areas where a country formerly had some power, or are they the exact opposite? Is ethnic dress only charming to those with a distance to lend enchantment? For example, could you sell Mexican/South American Puerto Rican style in New York? Do the British make anything less than a mess of that ravishing length of tissue, the sari? Are the Nordic countries entranced by the shaggy piles of other equally chilly regions? Or are the Swedes mad for off-the-shoulder batiste blouses in which to catch one's death of cold.

of journeys taken, hazards en-

In any case, how much does local style influence women, or men? Now that the great state-ments of fashion are finished and what you wear is a free-for-you, just how far does the two-way effect go? We asked Edward Bell to look at several well-established groups in Britain and to Illustrate the melange of style which has resulted.



cotwear is unnecessary,



An Arab woman in Earls Court wears a gold mask. black shawl, blue anoral and red



A Kenyan visitor to Britain. bound with black manilla string, was dressed in Kenya.



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'Workshop' will be hub of winter training

The training headquarters for Britain's leading tennis players and the best of the aspiring youngsters has been shifted from Queen's Club, West Kensington, to the National Sports Centre at Bisham Abbey on the banks of the Thames just outside Marlow. The completion of a new "sports workshop" complex, which took three years to huild and took three years to huild and took £2,500,000; has given Paul Hutchins, the national team manager, most of the facilities he needs for intensive training and practice in an exclusive environment. The single reservation is that, for clay court practice, he will still need to use the outdoor courts at Queen's Club and the Indoor courts at Wimbiedon and may occasionally give trainees a trip to Andres Gimeno's club in Barcelona.

Mark Cox and nine other ranked

Mark Cox and nine other ranked players were among those hard at work yesterday on Bisham Abbey's four indoor courts. These at work yesperagy on Bisham Abbey's four indoor courts. These were taped on to a multi-purpose green carpet which has been extended up the walls, even the doorways, so that men and women in a variety of sports can dash about without inhibitions, confident that any impact with the containing structure will be adequately cushfoned. There are also five floodlit hard courts outdoors. Only a loose-top surface is missing.

Cox said that if Britain was to compete with the rest of the world, particularly the United States, "then the whole set-up has to be upgraded".

Hutchins is using Bisham Abbey as the hub of his winter training programme. He said it was difficult to train at Queen's Club because the wooden indoor courts were the wrong speed, there were too many distractions, and the facilities were not available at

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Hutchins said that he and he are the more than before on the ream of helpers would control that more than before on the ream of helpers would control that more than before on the ream of helpers would control that the former in the assistance of the former international risping player. Ber Risman senter that the former in physical education and sport at Bulmershe College, Reeding Risman's speciality is exercise physiology and his function with the tenms trainers will be to organize general and individual training programmes. Risman will thus be exploring two areas in which British tenms—indeed, British sport as a whole—pends to compare unfavourably with many other nations. One recognizes that physical training (as distinct from practice) should be tailored to meet the differing stresses of differing sports. The other recognizes that individual constitutions vary and that physical training schedules must therefore be adapted to findividual needs.

The Central Council of Physical Recreation rented Bisham Abey it 1947 and bought it in 1963. The main purposes of the centre and to liaste with governing bodies he training and qualifying coache and in improving the perform ances of selected groups of sports men and sportswomen. The new "workshop" complex, which cat be adapted to a variety of sports marks a huge stride towards the fulfillment of those purposes. It is also, thank goodness, far more cosy and congenial in its structure and appointments than it might have been had the designer sought nothing more than functional efficiency.

Nastase is bewildered by double-strung racket

Paris, Sept 20.—The double-strung "wonder racket", used by French players Georges Goven and Christophe Roger-Vasselin, Is causing bavoc at the Poree Cup tournament here. Roger-Vasselin beat the experienced Zelko Franulovic of Yugoslavia with the wonder facket yesterday, and today Goven used it to bewilder Romania's lile Nastase to a shock 6-4. 2-6, 6-4 defeat.
Nastase had been one of the favouries to win the Poree Cup, which counts towards the international tennis grand prix. After the match he said: "Tals is the first time in my career I've come up against a player with a racket like Goven's—and it will be the

that."
Goven, who has lately been to below his best form, adapted his game quickly to the qualifies o the racket, which seemed to give extra lift to the ball and twice the speed. He constantly surprised Nastase, who was visibly tired at the end of a match which kept him running at full strenct from one side of the court to the other. Australia's Dick Creaty also used one of these rackets in beat Patrick Dominguez of France 6-2, 6-4, and the Frenchmal later said he was going to as the French Tennis Federation in ban them —Agence France-Presse

Rowing

Selectors cannot coach under new ARA rule

A potentially embarrassing situaion has now been removed by
new rule approved by the a new rule approved by the Amateur Rowing Association (ARA) council at its quarterly meeting this week. The rule simply spells out that "during their period of office members of the selection board should not coach crews seeking selection within the areas of responsibility of the board".

of the board."

To my knowledge, four selectors have been actively involved in coaching crews seeking selection for British teams in the past two seasons. Christopher Blackwall coached the coxed pair, Christie and McLeod, in the 1976 Olympic regatm. Blackwall, however, resigned as a selector when the selectors nominated him as men's pastonal squad constitution.

men's national squad coordinator During the present season, the selector, Ron Needs, coached the lightweight British eight, who won the gold medal in the world chamthe gold medal in the world championships in Amsterdam last
month; selector Grazme Hall was
connected with an unsuccessful
lightweight four and selector
Michael Spracklen coached
Baillieu and Hart to their gold
medal win in double sculls in
last month's world championships. last month's world championships.

On the face of it, the selectors have quite an impressive record as coaches in producing two gold medals in this year's world championships. But as a matter of principle selectors should not coach attletes seeking international selection. Clearly there could be occasions when interests clashed and objective

curries that could he ahead an imas empowered the selectors of pursue their effected role to simply select.

The ARA council will to making the British selection boats more efficient rather than clippin their wings by setting up a neighborhounditee. The new committee will have the task of coordinating and administrating all AR national training teams an selected teams. The sub-committee will be responsible for the allocation of resources, particularly coaches, thereby relieving selections of much of the administrative burden which they have he to carry in the past.

tive burden which they have he to carry in the past.

The chairman of this new sut committee is William Clarke an the ARA council could not have found a more suitable man if the task. Mr Clarke is a highlefficient organizer and the logicitics man behind British international teams for some year now. Mr Clarke already has high problem ahead of him wit next year's world championship taking place in New Zealand is november and the possibility a British oarmen having to speak at least five weeks there.

For the first time—apart from members of the ARA council when have countibuted to newspapers—council proceedings in future with the open to accredited rowing an sports journalists. This should provide an opportunity for it depth reporting of importate decisions made by the ARI.

Hockey

Four from Rome | The last race to take road to Buenos Aires

Rome. Sept 21.—Twelve countries from four continents countries from four continents will be trying for four places in next year's World Cup backey tournament when the first Inter-Continental Cup starts here tomorrow. The event is the first world wide tournament for second-ranked nations, who will compete in two pools of six. The top two in each group will, in addition to qualifying for the World Cup in Buetos Aires (March 19 to April 11, go through to the semi-finals round of the event here.

In group A are Canada, France,

In group A are Canada. France, Chana, Kenya, Polandi and the Sowiet Union. Group B is made up of Belgium, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Mexico and Nigeria.

Mexico and Nigeria.

Group A appears to be the stronger one with Poland, Kenya. Canada and the Soviet Union all hoping to reach the last four. The Soviet Union may cause the biggest surprise. They disappeared from international competition after a moderate first appearance in the 1970 European Cup, but have reemerged lately to achieve some good results in national and club competitions. They recently had a

good results in national and club competitions. They recently had a 2—0 victory over Belgium, the original Continental Cup favourites, in a European Cup qualifying match.

Poland have a strong, experienced side who recently led the powerful West Germans 2—0 before loaing 4—2. Their hardest match may be their first one against Kenya, who have a strong Asian element in their side.

Belgium and Ireland out in to Belgium and Ireland ought to quality from group B., though Japan have prepared thoroughly and are now employing European tactics. Home advantage may also prove helpful to Haly.

Yachting

could go to Hobday

By John Nicholls There was no racing for competitors in the Soling channational championship at Holy head yesterday. The programme of the garlier races had in I possponed and as this has included a lay a spare. The sixth and sevent races of the series will be hely today and comprove.

If conditions for these last in

today and comorrow.

If conditions for these lest if races are anything like those for the previous five, the winner of the previous five, the winner of them is unlikely to be anyon other than Phillip Crebbin. He had been unbeaten in the prevailin moderate to fresh north-easter breezes and unless the wind ministrated flukey I camort see his finishing other than first in orderace.

He only needs one wore 200

He only needs one more gone result to be certain of winning the champiouship and if he sure of the title after today ruce, he may stay ashore tomorrou and let someone else win the later ruce. That someone could well be christopher Hobday, who has been placed second to Crebbin in four of the races hald so far four of the races of the races hald so far four of the races hald so four of the races hald

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Football





Inspiration for the British game provided by unmerciful Scots

Only a late and unexpected goal conceded to an otherwise thoroughly beaten Czechoslovak team at Hampden Park last night slightly clouded Scotland's view for a place in next summer's World Cup final competition in Argentina. They now go on to play Wales on October 12 with a confident and effective team but knowing that the Welsh play last of all in the group in Czechoslovakia a month later and that goel difference could sull be crucial. The one they let slip in a game they dominated was a dangerous gift to their rivals.

A crowd of \$5.000 raised and maintained the Hampden Roar from the high terraces and their team drew strenigh from it, as they had in 1973, when, by beating the Czechoslovaks, they qualified for the World Cup finals in West Germany. This was another special night and the Scots, led by the versatility of Dalglish and the power of Jordan, captured the spirit as they attacked relentlessly from the beginning.

The Czechs were often too uncertain of themselves in defence to play for a draw, which was Czechoslovakia 1 Only a late and unexpected goal

uncertain of themselves in defence to play for a draw, which was what had been predicted they would do. They had suffered an unconfortable journey to Glasgow on Monday, including sitting up all night on a train without sleeping compartment, and there were ing compartments, and there were times here when they were guilty of dozing in their own penalty

They tried to counterattick through Masny and Nehoda, beth highly talented and strong forwards, but too much was expected of them and Pollak was unable to provide them with

the Scots, for all of their pressure, found themselves with chances.

Until then the Czechs had the opportunities to surprise the Scots, but McGrain, particularly, met them with typically accurate tuming. This magnificently firm defender, here playing on the left side, started many of Scotland's best attacks, moving rapidly across the halfway line, but neither he, nor any of the Scotlish defenders, were caught out by the Czechs on the rebound.

In these first 15 minutes Masson, at one end and Dobias, at the other, took the crowd through a rehearsal. Masson's 30-yard shot was well ahead on the ground by Michalik and a similar fierce but higher drive from Dobias soared close to the Scotlish bar. If anything the Czechs, at this stage, were the more accurate in several aspects of the game, but Scotland were the more accurate in several aspects of the game, but Scotland were the more powerful, constandy supporting each other and dictating the character of the mistch.

The Czech defence, always susceptible to a ball floated high into their goalmount, finally slipped after 20 minutes when Johnston's cerner left them watching as Jordan moved well into the space wide towards the far post. A thumping header settled satisfyingly in the back of the net.

Epcouraged. Scotland became an impressive unit. They met the Crech breakaways more positively now, nipping them in midfield. So it was a fair reflection of their achievements when, after 35 riinutes, they took a second goal, though for a moment there was

achievements when after 35 rimutes they took a second goal, though for a moment, there was some doubt that the referee would tried to counterattick of them have their prize. Johnstalented and strong is, but too much was to private them with possession. Nevertheless, a quarter of an hour before

ball sprung out of the ruck and presented itself at Hartford, who steered it carefully across an un-defended goalline. The referee decided that Jordan's challenge was fair and the Scots danced

was fair and the Scots danced away.

Czech spirits sagged and with them the composed and more appealing nature of their game. Scodand hammered them unmercifully. Tackles were like iron yet usually fair in spite of four names, two Scots and two Czechs, being taken. Yet there was inspiration here for British (ootball, especially as Scotland added a third goal to prove their point.

point.

More uncertainty in the Czech
defence cost them not only the
game, but their thoughts of
Argentina. A corner from Masson Argentina. A corner from Masson was never under their control. McQueen's height worried them as he fortified the Scots attack, heading the ball back from almost on the goalline when challenged. Jardine added another headed touch and Dalglish contributed a third and this time the ball returned back past Michalik and across the line.

Were goal difference not an important factor in these World Cup group games, the one scored late in the game by Czechoslovakia would have been called consola-

late in the game by Czechoslovakia would have been called consolation. But when Gajdusek completely fooled Rough with a 35-yard shor to the far corner of goal, the Scots felt triumph stung by a nagging doubt.

SCOTLAND: A. Rough Partick Phistler, S. Jardine (Rangers) D. McGrain (Celke), T. Forsyth (Rangers), G. McGoven (Leeds United), B. Bloch (Everion), K. Dalollish (Livernool), D. Masson (Queens Park Rangers), J. Jordan (Leeds United), Hartford (Mancheslur City), W. Johnston, (West Bromwich Alborn), CZECHOSLOVAKIA: P. Michalik, M.

N Ireland overcome stonewall defence N Ireland 2 Iceland 0 someone able to snap up the chances in the box." Someone able to snap up the chances in the box." George Best, making a modest reappearance after seven years' absence from Relfact absence from Relfact responding the sound of the seventy-ninth minute from the seventy-ninth minute fr

tie at Windsor Park. Belfast—then Ireland's manager Danny Blanch-flower criticized Iceland's defensive tactics. Goals came in the second half from the Manchester United players McGarth (62 minutes) and McRroy (79 minutes). Until then they had heen up against a stonewall defence and frustration began to creen in

creep in.

Mr Blanchflower said: "This Mr Blanchilower said: "Inis was not the way I would have played in the circumstances". They only came to save their face, not to entertain but I suppose that's the name of the game today. We should have won by four or five goals but we have not got

Safety barriers

to go up

"With neither country having anything at stake, Iceland should have come forward. You just canhave come forward. You just can-not provide entertainment with that type of football. It was a disgrare". he said. Iceland's manager Tony Knapp disagreed. "How can you come to Belast and attack a team like Northern Ireland, particularly when you are under strength. It would be

Northern Ireland's first goal came from their seventeenth cor-ner. When McIlroy floated the ball into the centre, Best back-headed it. Iceland's goalkeeper Dagsson fisted it out for McGrath intelligent move of a game in which Northern Ireland's lack of scoring scoring power emerged once

NORTHERN IRELAND:

Wrexham sign striker for record fee

at Maine Road One unruly football spectator has cost Manchester City £10,000. That is the sum the club are paying out to fence in their supporters. The spectator invaded the Maine Road pitch during last week's Gefa Cup match with

City have acted promptly and may have avoided disciplinary action by Uefa. The Manchester Circ chairman, Peter Swales, said : We don't really want to fence in the fans but we must deter them from running on the pitch. we are not happy about fences but this is a sign of the times. In fact we prefer to call them

"We already have fences around the popular side of the form the form the north stand where there are no fences."

The Football League have lifted their ban on Fulham from signing new players. ing new players. The ban was put on the second division club two months ago because of outstanding transfer debts.

Dixie McNeil, one of football's leading goalscorers, joined Wrexham for 560,000 from Hereford United yesterday. It was a record fee for both clubs and McNeil makes his first appearance at home to Swindon on Saturday. Wrexham's manager Arfon Griffiths, the former Welsh midfield player then attempted to do a player, then attempted to do a double deal by signing the Everton goalkeeper Dal Davies, who was refused entry into Kuwait on Tuesday because he had an Israeli stamp on his pass-

Davies, also wanted by Chester at a give-away fee of £10,000, spoke to Mr Griffiths before accompanying Wales to the Middle East. "Everton manager Gordon Lee gave me permission to talk to the player but nothing has been finalized", he said. Davies has been looking for a move since Everton signed George Wood from Blackpool for £140,000 in the hummer. in the summer.

McNeil's departure from struggling Hereford will help ease a

Yesterday's results

World Cup

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Mr Howell defends official supporters

Denis Howell, the Minister for Sport, has written defending Manchester United, who were banned from the European Cup Winners' Cup by UEFA on Monday. In a letter to Hans Bangerter, the UEFA secretary. Howell claims that Manchester United's arrangements for the "official" supporters were "beyond reproach" None of the supporters detained because of hooliganism before the match went with the official supporters' organization, he says.

"I have made extensive the match behaved particularly well to have behaved particularly well to the match.

organization, he says.

"I have made extensive enquiries since the match and I am quite satisfied that the arrangements made by Manchester United for the sale of tickets and the transport of their official supporters were beyond reproach.

"Officials of the British Foreign Office have interviewed offenders detained by the police in Lyons and I understand that none of them were members of the official party. "Each had made private travel arrangements and intended to buy match tickets at the stadium itself." It is noteworthy that the five people detained by the police

"It is clear to me that there was no attempt at segregating rival supporters before or during the match. I am alarmed to hear that there were 41,000 spectators allowed into the ground with a capacity of only 38,000 and the dangers of such a situation are obvious to anyone.

or lous to anyone.

"Of course, none of this would excuse the conduct of any undisciplined British supporter, but the official supporters appear to have behaved particularly well on this occasion.

to have behaved particularly well on this occasion.

"It does seem to me that UEFA failed to enforce its own regulations in this instance and have not accepted any responsibility for so doing, nor have you yet conducted an adequate inquiry into the situation prevailing on the home ground."

In spite of Mr Howell's reference to the attendance as 41,000, the official figure released was 33,678.

Manchester United's assistant secretary, Mr Kenneth Merritt, flew to Berne last night



Mr Howell: letter sent to UEFA.

Athletics

Support for China from IAAF

Rugby Union

Welsh go off boil after

Bennett's 17 points

From IAAF

Tokyo, Sept 21.—Adrian Paulen, president of the Imernational Amateur Athletic Federation (IAAF), said today he hoped agreement would be reached by October next year on China's application to join the sporting body.

Mr Panlen said in Tokyo after a three-day visit to Peking that he had "fruitful discussions" with the Chinese Sports Minister, Wang Meng, and other leaders on the issue. He said China had reitfunded in the chinese sports Minister, wang Meng, and other leaders on the issue. He said China had reitfunded in the chinese sports Minister, wang in calaiming there is only one China and that Taiwan must be expelled from the IAAF concil and congress would have to decide whether to admit China and expel Taiwan, and added: "I hope a conclusion will be reached by October next year".

Mr Paulen, who leaves for Europe tonight, said he hoped to attend the meeting of the Asian Amateur Athletic Federation in Seoul next February to find out Asian antitudes on the Chinese for Europe tonight, said he hoped to attend the meeting of the Asian Amateur Athletic Federation to attend the meeting of the Asian Amateur Athletic Federation to attend the meeting of the Asian Amateur Athletic Federation to attend the meeting of the Asian Amateur Athletic Federation to attend the meeting of the Killanin, who visited Peking last week—Reuter.

Weightlifting

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By Perer West

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Weightlifting

East Europeans hoping for an improvement

Stuttgart, Sept 21.—East European weightlifters have had a disappointing start at the world championships here, winning only two gold medals in the first four categories, when at least three and possibly four were expected. Tomorrow's light-heavyweight event should bring them an improvement as the most fancied contenders include a Russian and

two Bulgarians.

RESULT: Middleweight (snatch:
Y. Varianian (Soviet Union, 152,5
2. P. Wenzel (East Germany, 150, 6
3. A. Sint (Hungary) 150 kg; 4,
Kolov (Bulgaria) 147,5 kg; 6,
Zayas (Bulgaria) 147,5 kg; 6,

A stadium where even rock and baseball cannot raise the roof

Montreal waits to be used again

By Richard Streeton

A great deal of water in all respects has flowed under the bridges over the St Lawrence river in the 14 months since the costly and controversial 1976 Olympic Games here. The impression gleaned by a visiting Englishman is that much of the resentment they aroused beforehand among what Runyon would have termed the local citizenry seems to have evaporated. In terms of conversational interest the subject is almost a backwater. almost a backwater.

Certainly, the casual inquirer, trying to gauge public feeling on the subject while touring the Olympic facilities, cannot immediately find many who now regret that this city staged the Games. not even among taxi drivers, that source of apposite quotes so be-loved by travelling journalists. Obviously political capital continues to be available from the budgetary mistakes: echoes from sundry court cases and investigative committees rumble on: and crucial decisions have yet to be taken on the unfinished main stadium and the still empty Olym-pic village. Despite the financial hangovers incurred, though, a hangovers incurred, though, a definite pattern has emerged for regular usage of the actual sports scilities provided for the Games. The main athletics stadium where Juantorena, a Cuban, and Viren, a Finn, made their indelible mark on track and field history, is now the home of the Montreal Expos baseball team and the Montreal Alouettes Canadian football side. The crowds of 55.000 and 68.000 respectively they attract far exceed those they used to get at their previous stadiums. to get at their previous studiums. Some 70,000 were drawn there to a concert last July by Pink Floyd, a rock group. All told there were

a rock group. All told there were 107 major events held in the stadium in the first 12 months after the Olympics.

A far larger number would be feasible, of course, if the provincial government when the issue comes up next month agree to complete the supporting tower and retractable roof despite the additional \$50mCan 1526.7m) cost to an areau that has already in cost tional \$50mCan (£26.7m) cost to an arena that has already in cost topped \$800m (£427m). Without the roof the stadium can only be used for 180 days a year and the grapevine has it that the tower and roof will be completed. At the moment that solitary crane, like an admonishing finger to idealistic architects, remains perched on the half-finished tower and the roof remains stored at its manufac-

half-finished tower and the roof remains stored at its manufacturers in France.

Montreal is desperately anxious to stage the 1974 World Athledes Cup in the stadium. The argument goes that it is the North American Continent's turn with Asia or Africa the 1951 hosts and Los Angeles, perhaps, using the 1983 event as a rehearsal for their anticipated hosting of the 1984 Olympic Games. It is also by no means out of the question that

Canada will apply to hold the 1986 or 1990 football World Cup with Montreal's stadium the main

venue.

If this should come as a surprise to some people, let it be noted that soccer is developing fast at schools level here and appetites for the game are being whetted by the fairly respectable chance Canada have of reaching the final stages of the World Cup in Argentina next summer as winners of a notoriously weak North American aroup. A soccer international with notoriously weak North American group. A soccer international with France at Montreal's stadium next month is eagerly awaited. One sports official told me that Canada woud even be willing to deputize for Argentina if any eleventh hour problem arose.

problem arose.

The swimming pool where David Wilkie, along with a mass of East Germans and Americans, brought countless joy to their respective nations has not been used since the Olympics for a major international meeting but is in great demand by the public.

Similarly the other main multipurpose complexes, the Velodrome and the Claude Robillard centre have both added concerts, conventions and ice shows, among other things, to their purely sporting uses.
All politicians have an enviable

All politicians have an enviable knack of riding out storms. It was fascinating this week to hear Mayor Jean Drapeau, unrepentant and apparently unbloodied, put what must be termed the case for the defence yet again. Mayor Drapeau was quotet some years back to the effect that it would be more likely for a man to have a haby than for the 1976 Olympics to have a deficit. Varied and vast figures continue to be bandied about but most sources currently agree that the final cost of the Olympics will be around Can \$1.500m (5300m) compared with original prophecies that the price would be Can \$310m (£160m). The Provincial Government finally had to step in with a lifeline and a special real estate tax was eventually introduced to cover Montreal City taxpayers' contribution of Can \$3220m.

ally introduced to cover Montreal City taxpayers' contribution of Can \$428m.

Asswering questions Mayor Drapeau reminded us that all over the world people did not wish to pay taxes but at least in Montreal they knew why they were paying a particular tax. They had something to show for it, something that had brought an overall benefit to the city and would continue to do so. He believed that basically people's reaction to the facilities the city now had were favourable.

Five years would be needed to

favourable.

Five years would be needed to prove the full benefit of having staged the games and after that he was nositive everyone would be pleased with the final situation. It was all splendid stuff for the fury had they been there-impossible to refute logically, and possibly correct as regards the long term future. Meanwhile it

The main Olympic stadium at Montreal would have looked like this if the retractable roof had ever been put on. The roof is still stored at its manufacturers in France.

will be interesting to see it the Olympics are an important issue in the next mayoral election which is due in November, 1978 Mayor Drapeau, if the local jungle drum can safely be interpreted by a visitor, might yet move on to wider spheres. He admitted he would not decide whether to stand for reelection until about three months before the election.

months before the election.

A block or so away from Mayor Drapeau's office, the work of the Olympic organisets, COJO, is gradually being wound up. The final task for the 35 survivors from the 22,000 employed by COJO at the games is the production of 1,500 pages in three volumes of the official Olympic report, obligatory under IOC rules, and due to be completed by next March. Mr Gerry Suyder, originally mayor Drapeau's top aide, is now president of COJO, having taken over from Mr Roger Rousseau, who has rejoined the Canadian diplomatic corps and been posted to matic corps and been posted to

In fairness to COIO it should not be overhooked that outside the con-struction costs, the Montreal organizers actually finished with a profit of around \$130m (£70m). This stemmed from ticket sales, and marketing activities such as a lottery the sale of special coins lottery, the sale of special coins and stamps and various kensing rights. The Federal Government legislation for these items and for tegistation for these items and for starting the constructional work was delayed for two or three years longer than might have been the case if the then Liberal Government had been in a stronger position. Mr Snyder believes much of the escalating costs, most of all the overtime rayments ignored. ill the overtime payments involved, would have been avoided if a prompter start had been made.

The Olympic village, which eventually cost three times and more as much as the \$30m (£16m) estimate had been taken on at a estimate had been taken on at a late stage of planning and the final \$100m (£53m) bill for security had also been larger than anticipated. Mr Savder regretted the IOC insistence on one major Olympic village being provided rather than the spreadeagiling of competitors around existing accommodation and also their change of mind about reducing the games in size.

Cojo's final report will elaborate on their problems in detail. It is certain that Los Angeles will learn from Montreal's mistakes before 1984. The IOC themselves have lessons to learn if the sadder aspects of Montreal in 1976 are not to be repeated anywhere else. Fur all other future games host cities and critics of Montreal an ancient Red Indian prayer I came across in another part of Canada carlier in the week might not come anics. " Great Spirit, grant that I may

not criticize my neighbour until I have walked a mile in his moccasins."

the first of several Welsh strikes against the head. Finally, Bennest with a subtle dummy behind splid scrummage possession, put Fuller, the full back, clear through the middle and Rees, on the right flank, came inside the opposing full back for another nicely conceived try, duly converted by the standoff. The heavier Welsh pack continued to put their opponents under considerable pressure in the light but henceforth the set-pieces and tapped penalty ploys carried Cricket

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defeated touring Australian cricket team, flew home yesterday and, admitted that English cricket supporters may have seen the last of him as a player. His signing with Kerry Packet's cricket series means a ban of at least two years from Test cricket.

When Chappell left Heathrow, Airport, London, with his wife Judy he said: "I would like to think that I will play cricket in England again, but who knows? I certainly won't be able to play for the next two years, and after that the position is still uncertain. I hope to comtinue playing in

Australians in **England** may have seen last of Chappell threeway battle

The Australians, Don Allan and Danny Clark, opened up the first Madison Chase of the final night of the Skol six-day cycle race at Wembley and set the scene for a remarkable three-way battle. on the overnight leaders, Sercu and Pijnen, after the first chase of the evening. That left the Australians second overall on points to the Belgium-Dutch partnership but equal on laps.

Cycling

partnership but equal on laps.

The Germans, Peffgen and Fritz, also caught up Sercu and Pinen. It was, however, Allan and Clark who looked fast and strong even after five days' hard racing. Their attacking sprints left the rest of the field strong out and the overnight leaders had to chase hard to prevent them cuming the overlight leaders had to chase hard to prevent them running away with the race.

Leading rositions. 1. P. Serce Beigium and R. Pinten Notherlands. 721pts; 2. D. Allan and D. Curk Australia. 532pts; 3. W. P. Form and A. Frib. 1988; 3. W. P. Form and A. Frib. 1988; 3. W. Stopis: 3. A. Gowland (5B) and G. Hariz (West Germany). 717pts, at 5 land.

Mario Andretti has signed to

lead the John Player-Lotus team in the 1978 Formula One cham-

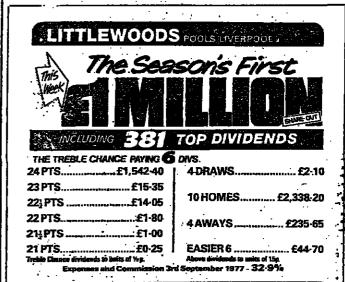
pionship. It will be his third

that the position is still uncertain. I hope to continue playing in Australian club cricket for another three or foar years, but I'm not in any hurry to tour again."

Chappell and his wife have been staying with friends in Devon and Chappell said: "It's only the second time Judy has been to England and the first time we're had a chance to go sightseeing. It was nice to have a holiday before I start playing again, probably in November." Title defence

Milan, Sept 21.—Rodrigo Valdes, of Colombia, will defend his World Boxing Council middleweight title against Bennie Briscoe, of Philadelphia, in the Italian town of Campione. on November 5,





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Racing

Orange Bay has the beating of Meneval

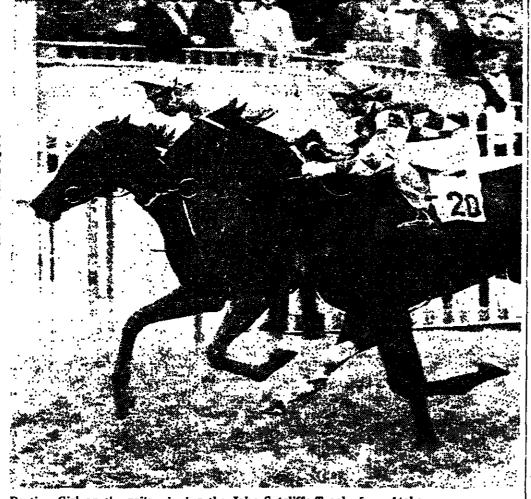
By Michael Phillips
Racing Correspondent
Whether Meneval, Orange Bay
and Hot Grove run in the Prix de
l'Arc de Triomphe at Longchamp
on October 2 will depend on how
they fare first at Ascot today in
the Cumberland Lodge Stakes.
With Quite Candid, Sassalya and
Welsh Dancer entering the fray.
too, this promises to be a highly
interesting race.

The weights favour Hot Grove,
who ran The Minstrel to a neck
in the Derby. But Hot Grove has
had more than his share of
problems since then and Orange
Bay is preferred on this occasion.
Hot Grove would have a wonderrul chance of winning if he were
back to his best; but since his
great race in the Derby he has
had a temperature at Goodwood,
run indifferently at York and
developed a poisoned leg which
prevented him from running in
the Valdoe Stakes at Goodwood
last week,
Against that background it Is

Against that background it is reasonable to doubt whether Hot Grove will be at his peak this afternoon, which he will need to be if he is to beat Orange Bay, who ran The Minstrel to a short head in the King George VI and Queen Elizabeth Diamond Stakes at Ascot in July. Orange Bay later ran another good race over a distance that was much too short for him at York where he finished third in the Benson and Hedges Gold Cup. Since he came from Italy to be trained in this country by Peter Walwyn, Orange Bay has run his best races at Ascot and should be hard to beat there again thi; afternoon provided the thi; afternoon provided the weather does not change over-night and the ground remains

firm.

Meneral made a host of friends when he won the Irish St Leger at the Curragh last autumn by eight lengths and again at Royal Ascot in June when he won the Hardwicke Stakes comfortably. But he ran indifferently on firm Ascot in June when he won the Hartfeld Scarcely Blessed this afternoon. Scarcely Blessed this afternoon. Major were both outclassed by Major were be both outclassed by Major were be will advantage of the Sarben to Rout landsome profit. For the Strathona, who is now in market. Since then, Gentithombre and Mandrabe by Major were both outclassed by Major were be will avantage of the July and Strathona, vold Strathona, in the



Destiny Girl on the rails winning the John Sutcliffe Trophy from Atoka

21 lb and a two-length beating to Jon George who went on to win the Portland Handicap at Doncaster—she has a chance of beating Gentillombre, Mandrake Major, Sharp Rocker, Metair and Scarcely Blessed this afternoon.

hates travelling long distances, broke his trip from Arundel at York to stay overnight in Lady Herrie's stable.

The four-year-old is trained by John Dunlop and was home bred by his owner, Miss Elizabeth Risdon from Oxfordshire.

Semper Nova made every yard of the running in the Sanyo Handicap to beat Zarah by two lengths, and provided young John Reid with the 100th winner of his

Riedon, from Oxfordshire.

Norfolk Air may go for Champion Stakes

by Town Crier, but more impor-tant, she has become the dam of a dual classic winner—the Oaks and St Leger winner Dunfermline, not to mention a good two-year-old in Tartan Pimpernell. old in Tartan Pimpernell.

I learnt yesterday that the Mylerstown stud has just taken full advantage of the situation and sold Strathcona, who is now in foal to Run the Gantlet to an American breeder, Arthur B. Hancock. No price has been disclosed but obviously the deal stands them in at a handsome profit. For the time being, though, Strathcona will have to remain in Ireland because of the bar on the import of bloodstock into the United States from Europe

Another mare who will be on

best form for a long while when finishing a creditable farther short head away, third.

short head away, third.

A spokesman for Clive Brittain's Newmarket yard said: "Silver Steel is a probable for the Cambridgeshire, but, with only 7st 11 lb. obviously Edward Hide will not be able to ride."

Absalom, who cost only 250 guiteas, made it three victories for his syndicate of 10 owners when cruising to a three-length victory in the Ladbroke Handicap from Single Gal after making all

Ayr programme

[Television (IBA): 2.30, 3.05, 3.35 and 4.05 races]

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1 104040 Louard Bully (L-D). N. Anglus, R-J. Richard Hutchinson
1 440023 Cruising (D). M. Stoutt, R-J. Richard Hutchinson
6 401332 Royal Estate, J. Hindley 6-0
6 001310 Gaus (B.D). P. Webban, 7-1
7 20-1003 Prince of Jarva (C-B). Denty Scuth, 7-15 L. Charlock 5
11 20-2000 Avius, N. Anglus, 7-5
12 120-2000 Avius, N. Anglus, 7-5
13 120-2000 Avius, N. Anglus, 7-5
14 120-201 Charlock 5
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9-3 times, 3-1 Mar Greig, 3-1 Royal Estate, 6-1 Cruising, 3-1 Printe Jarva, 14-1 Artius, Guard Duty.

2.50 MARKY RUSEBERY TROPHY (2-y-o: £5,020: 5f)

1 44123 Ludstone (0), J. W. Wats, 5-2 ... J. Lowe 1

2 00211 Negative Response (D), J. Nithall, 9-2 ... D. McKay 1

3 41311 Danger Signal (C-D), J. Dunlop, 8-13 ... Ron Hutchinson 1

4 010301 Parmesh (D), M. Stotte, 8-13 ... S. Hide 1

4 112422 Deed of Gin (D), I. Baldard, 8-13 ... J. Matthias 1

4 1232 Deed of Gin (D), I. Baldard, 8-11 ... J. Matthias 1

4 103330 Stote Park (BJ), M. O'Corman, 8-11 ... M. Bitchinson 1

10 103340 Lunar Wind, N. Angus, 6-71 Deed of Gill, 6-1 Danger Signal, 8-1 Parmesh, Silver Park, 14-1 Negative Response, 2(c-1) Jack Splendid, Lunar Wind.

3.05 LADBROKES AYRSHIRE HANDICAP (27,680: 1m 3f)

1 140030 Franks (C), J. Hanson, 1-0-7. M. Birch 313401 Move Off. J. Calvert, 1-0-7. M. Birch 313401 Move Off. J. Calvert, 1-0-7. J. Blensdale 7 102200 Purulo, R. Akchurst, 1-0-7. G. Baster 1 120220 Silm Jim. J. Reiding, 5-8-12. J. Matthias 033103 Level Per (C), N. Angus, 1-8-11. J. Seagarve 0 232211 Chiddsgh, H. Wrugg, 1-8-11. J. E. Hide 7 01,131 Young Pip. 4. Jarva, 1-8-1. B. Haymond 9 322203 Avister (B.C), C. Thornton, 5-8-0 G. Duffield 5-2 -baildagh, 7-2 Young Pip. 5-1 Move Off. 3-1 Level Par, Frankse, 11 Aviator, Silm Jim. 1-3-1 Perusin

3.35 JACK JARVIS HANDICAP (2-y-0: £3,277: 1m)

4.05 KELBURNE STAKES (52.152: 1m 5f)

4.35 TROON STAKES (2-y-o fillies : £1,292 ; 7f)

2.30 HARRY ROSEBERY TROPHY (2-y-0: 55,020: 5f)

steps of his elder half sister Roses for the Star, who was also beaten into second place in the same race 12 months earlier. But their jockey, Carson, did at least manage to win the seller yesterday on Liberty Lass who was Les Hall's first winner of the season.

first winner of the season.

Destiny Girl put up a 300d performance to win the John Sutcliffe Trophy with 9 st on her back and with four successive wins now behind her she may well be allowed to take her chance in the Critérium des Pouliches at Longchamp on Arc dav provided the ground is 300d. Destiny Girl was ridden by Paul Con't who also won the Woldingham Stakes on Calibration but not before he had given his supporters the fright of their lives by dropping his hands, looking the wrong way for dangers and taking things too easily much too soon before the end. As a result, Calibration was nearly caught by Pledge. result, Calibration caught by Piedge.

the running. Absalom will probably go for the Summerville Tattersalls Stakes at Newmarket. He is trained by Ryan Jarvis.

The hurdler Decent Fellow will be in a \$60,000 race in Germany on October 9 following his win by a head from Rising Falcon in the Kilkerran Stakes.

Decent Fellow starts his build-up.

Decent Fellow starts his build-up for the Champion Hurdle by racing in the Fighting Fit Hurdle at Newcastle in November. The

Hide likely to follow Piggott's lead

By Jim Snow

Two faces at Ayr today are named after Lord Rosebery and his trainer and friend. Sir Jack Jarvis, who for close on half a century gave support to the Western meeting. Year after year backers rarely lost money by following the Rosebery and Jarvis runners. There were always a dozen or more of them on the September Scottish circuit, and many finished up well on the right side by their allegiance to the hooped primrose and pink colours of Lord Rosebery

Both men would have approved of the number and quality of the runners which the two races have attracted this afternoon. There are nine declared in the Harry Rosebery Tropity over five furlongs, and 13 in the Jack Jarvis Memorial Nurserv over one mile. Between them, the two-year-olds in these races have won 32 races.

Analysing the form in handicaps for two-year-olds and trying to read the right answer present probably the most tricky problem backers tackle during the eight mouths of the flat season. Bookmakers, however, regard them as something akin to manua from heaven between August and the season's end in November. In taking Sionx and Sloux to win the Jack Jarvis Nursery, I am aware that there must be a possibility that the pitcher might have been taken just too often to the well. The filly has won five of her last six races, the last being over a mile at Beverley last week, but her trainer, Christopher Thoraton, considered that she had taken so little out of herself in that victory at Beverley over Barry Hills's strong favourite, Princess of Man, that be felt she must be given the chance to gain her sixth victory from her handicap mark of 8 st 1 lb.

In what might be an all-northern finish, Prittencrieff from Ernle Weymes' stable and Michael

Easterby's Longcliffe look the dangers to Sioux and Sioux, Pittencrieff carried 9st to a six lengths victory in a nursery handicap over the Lanark mile and previously had scored by four lengths at Ayr, and Longcliffe impressed when he won the important Prince of Wales Nursery at the St Leger meeting. Longcliffe can be given an excelent each way chance with 8st 4lb. Deed of Gift may win the Harry lent each way chance with 8st 4lb.

Deed of Gift may win the Harry Rosebary Trophy for his owner and breeder, Mr Paul Mellon. By Mill Reef, he is not a big colt, but he is strong and attractive with the good looks of his distinguished sire. He won his first two races in May at Salisbury and Sandown Park, But possibly his best performance came at Royal Ascot in June when he was besten three-quarters of a length by Emboss, winner of five of his seven races, in the Norfolk Stakes. Michael Stonte's Parmesh, who made all the running to win at Thirsk three weeks ago, and the Arundel trained Danger Signal, beaten once in her past four races, are the two I expect to be nearest to Deed of Gift at the post.

With 8st 11lb, which includes are the two I expect to be hearest to Deed of Gift at the post.

With 8st 11lb, which includes an 8lb penalty, the three-year-old. Claddagh, faces a stiff task for one of his age in the most valuable prize on the card, the £10,000 Ladbrokes Ayrshire Handicap over a mile and three furlongs, against the older horses. Claddagh started the season disappointingly and failed in his first 10 races, but when Lester Pigoott rode him at Haydock Park and at York in August and sent him to the from from the start, he won by big margins. Clearly he likes to get along when he leaves the stalls, and no doubt Edward Hide will follow these tactics, There is, after all, no wisdom in ignoring the message sent out by Piggott that the right way to ride Harry Wragg's American-bred colt is to let him stride along. to the expenditure involved."

Five years after earning his player's card in 1967, Jacklin gave up his privileges in order to support the European circuit and be closer to family—but found the urge too great and returned to the American circuit two years ago. At that time Jacklin remarked: "I know now that I have to continue playing in the States if I want to continue as a world class golfer."

Much of Jacklin's trouble has

Springhill's absence makes it easy for Godswalk

From an Irish Racing Correspondent

Dublin, Sept 21 Dublin, Sept 21

The withdrawal of Springhilt yesterday morning after the Irish sprinter had been found to be running a temperature robbed the Airlie/Coolmore/Castle Hyde championship at the Curragh of much of its competitive aspect and in consequence it provided an easy win for Mr Robert Sangster's Codswalk. Bought during the winter for E300,000 Godswalk has now won four of his five starts this season. Yesterday he was never off the bit to score by two and a halt lengths from Sweet Mint and Glenturret.

Mint and Glenturret.
Vincent O'Brien afterwards
nominated Godswalk a challenger for Europe's richest sprint race, the Prix de l'Abbaye de Long-champ, on Sunday week and at the same time was able to allay rumours that all was not right with his beaten odds-on Doncaster

was good, though, as two of his other horses, Be My Guest and Artains will both miss out on English and French engagements this weekend. Be My Guest has a bruised foot which will keep him out of Saturday's Ascot race while Artains, who looked so spleudid in winning the Eclipse Stakes at Sandown Park has a touch of ringworm.

Prior to the victory of Godswalk the O'Brien-Piggott combination had twice been beaten yesterday. With little more than a furlong to go in the Gilltown Stud Stakes the odds-on favourite, Garneray, was two lengths up on Valley Forge, but in an exciting finish Valley Forge, ridden with great dash by Swinburn, got up by a neck. This represented quite a turnabout in form as Garneray finished four lengths in front of Valley Forge when the pair met at the Curragh earlier this month. this month. The winner is owned by Mr
Bert Firestone who through his
Irish stud had sponsored this
two-year-old race.

two-year-old race.

For Piggott and O'Brien it was once again the Swinburn-Weld combination that stood between them and success in the Fasig-Tipton CTBA Stakes. Galletto was the favourite but she appeared to change her mind several times in the closing stages and succumbed to the more resolute Gayshuka

ALSO RAN: 200-1 Priory Lad (4th), Burnished Light, 5 rag,

4.0 (4.1) WOLDINGHAM HANDICAP (20%): 1 m. Callbration. br c. by Callbration. br c. b

ALSO RAN: 4-1 fav Tackling, 5-1 Athona Royale 11-2 Weithi (4th), 10-1 Stop Chick, 16-1 Octogenarian, 33-1 Le Hall Musette, 9 ran.

TOTE: Win. 61p: places. 25p. 11p. 1/p: dual forecast, £1:22. R. Ake-burst, at Lambourn. Hd. 11. 2min. 41.89sec. Burnished Light did not run.

4 30 (4.35) KNOLE STAKES (2-y-o: £1,562; 7f)

5.0 :5.3) NUTFIELD STAKES (2-3-0 filles: \$770:5])

4.5 (4.7) KILBRIDE HANDICAP (£1.735; 5()

TOTE: Win. 220; forecast 55p. H.

with his beaten odds-on Doncaster
St Leger favourite Alleged.
O'Brien said that Alleged was a
definite saurer in the Prix de
l'Arc de Triomphe in which he
will be ridden by Lester Piggott.
Whether or not he would be
accompanied to the post by
Meneral will depend upon how
the four-year-old performs in the
Cumberland Lodge Stakes at

to Aga Khan for £1.3m From Desmond Stonebam

French Racing Correspondent

The dispersal sale of broad mares, yearlings and foals belonging to the late Madame François Dupré planned for October 3 has been cancelled as the entire catalogue has been purchosed by the Aga Khan for around £1.3m. the Aga Khan for around fl.3m.

The package is made up of 39 mares, 23 yearlings and 20 foals, which represent some of the finest aspects of French breeding, Caro and Lyphard, both recently exported to the United States, have a yearling and a foal each included in the sale and, in due time, all the youngsters bought by the Aga Khan will go into training with François Matthet at Chantilly.

Apart from winning nearly every big event in France, the Dupré colours were also seen to effect in England. Reiko won the 1963 Derby, and in 1958 Bella Paola took both the 1,000 Guineas and Oaks back to France.

It now seems likely that Alain

It now seems likely that Alain Badel, who recently signed a contract with Mathet, will ride Crystal Palace in the Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe in October. Until now the colt has always been partnered by Gerard Dubroeucq, who guided Crystal Palace to victory this year in the Prix du Jockey Club and more recently the Prix Niel.

Bloodstock sales

Habitat filly bought for 98,000gns

Business was again brisk when the third day of Goffs yearling sales at Kildare Paddocks began yesterday. Thirneen lots, sent up from the McGrath Trust Company from nearby Brownstown Stud, changed ownership for 259,000 guineas.

guineas.

Twenty-six Brownstown yearlings in all were put into the ring two by two. The successful bidder had his pick of the pair and the rejected horse went to the Dublin stable of Seamus McGrath.

Vincent O'Brien made a successful bid of 42,000 guineas far a Kalamoun colt who is half-brother of the Irish Sweeps Derby winner Weavers Hall.

Robert Sangster, whose Govis.

Weavers Hall.

Robert Sangster, whose Godswalk was an impressive winner at the Curragh in the afternoon, had earlier paid 30,000 guineas for a Rarity filly, sent up from the Brownstown Stud, out of the winning Ballyogan mare Ballyvive. The filly is a half-sister of three winners.

Paddy Presidential 20,000

winners.

Paddy Prendergast paid 20,000 guineas for the same stud's colt by Roan Rocket out of the winning Lewmoss mare, Royal Levi. The second dam, Royal Danseuse, wen the Irish 1,000 Guineas, and bred Bog Road and three other winners.

won the Irish 1,000 Guineas, and bred Bog Road and three other winners.

George Blackwell went to 25,000 guineas to secure a Moulton coft sent up from Confey Stud. Out of the winning Princely Gift mere St Tropez, the colt is three-parts brother of Market Square and Parbleu, and half-brother of five other winners.

Mr Elackwell also paid 12,000 guineas for a colt by Martinnas out of Ilsebill, sent up from Carrigbeg Stud.

Carrigbeg Stud.

Jacklin's round of 64 breaks course record

Tony Jackiin broke the course record with a brilliant round of 64 (seven under par) in the first round of the English professional golf championship, sponsored by Rank Xerox, at Sandy Lodge, Middlesex, yesterday. He revealed that he might give up playing in the United States. This is Jacklin's last tournament in Britain this season. He will not be playing in the Masters next week because he is in dispute with the Dunlop company.

Jacklin, who beat the r-cord by one stroke, had a three-stroke advantage over his nearest rival Carl Mason, just back from a three-week holiday in South Africa. Mason had a burst of four birdies in five holes from the 11th. the United States.

"My schedule is crazy and I am seriously thinking of turning my back on America and playing more in Europe", he said. "I am spreading myself in two ways and trying to qualify for big European tournaments like the world match play champiouship on United States standards. There are some good tournaments in Europe now and things look rosy in Britain."

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9: D. Magger (Irrine Bay); W. G.
King (Lineharbed); B. Hutchinson (Moortown); R. S. Fider (West Ken!); P. Berry (Towkenbury Park); M. James (Burghley Park); M. S. Lills (Common). Real; P. Berry | lewesbury | Rawl; R. James | Burghley Park; P. B. W. Common: | Hull Kirk Elle; | R. Wyth, | Common: | Hull Kirk Elle; | R. Wyth, | Common: | Common: | R. Wyth, | Common: | Hull Kirk Elle; | R. Wyth, | Common: | Hull Kirk Elle; | R. Wyth, | Common: | Hull Kirk Elle; | R. Harrison | Hull Kirk Elle; | Hull Kirk E

Defoy's fine round of 65 spreadeagles the field His nearest challengers when the second and final round gets under way today are the British Ryder Cup captain Brian Hoggett and David Jones, one of the newer professionals on the circuit, Both went round in 70. Huggett took three to get down from just off the 18th green and so threw away his chauce of breaking par. On 71 are 18-year-old lan Woosnam, Philip Worthing and Kim Dabson. FREST ROUND LEADERS. 70.5. B. Detoy ICHIRI Park. 70.6. C. Hugget' Cambridgeshirs

Craig Defoy spreadeagled the field in the Welsh Professional Golf championship over the Glamorgan links at Penarth yesterday and seems set to lift the first prize of £1,500. The 30-year-old World Cup player set a new course record for the recently altered £,156 yards links, with a superb five under par round of 65.

Defoy drove the ball confidently but was less consistent with his

in Britain."

Jacklin has not had a good year and his pride was hurt when he was dropped from the singles in the Ryder Cap metch against the Americans at Royal Lytham and St Annes. But his belief in himself has kept him going. "I may fall on my face this week but I can assure you I will come back again", he said. "I have nothing to prove to anyone. Every tournament I play in I want to win but it does not always work out like that."

He added: "I only go to the

He added: "I only go to the States because everybody says I should, not because I want to. I cannot make any money there due to the expenditure involved."

Much of Jacklin's trouble has been on the greens, but he putted well yesterday. He had eight single putts and said: "If I was going to putt like that for the rest of my life I would not mind."

With birdies at the fourth.

Defoy drove the ball confidently but was less consistent with his purting. He dropped a stroke at the opening hole but immediately made amends by achieving three consecutive birdles as a consequence of fine approach work. Ou the second, for example, he holed out from a greenside bunker. Out in 33. Defoy stayed steady and covered the homeward stretch in one under par 32.

French racing Dupré horses go

Car rallying

Outback begins to take its toll of cars

70: S. G. C. Hoggett (Cambridgeshire Hotel)
71: I. Woosnam Hull Valley, P. Worting (Monmouthshire), K. Dabson (Leatherhead), 72: M. V. Bennett (Populard), S. Cov. (Wenvoe Castle), D. C. Thomas Telferni, S. G. Jones (Welshaden), T. Morgan (Robhampion), D. K. Jones (Cality), D. A. Vaughan (Hill Valley), C. Dew Mintchurch), R. Jones (Maesdo, M. Doul) (Mhitelail), K. Thomas (Baegemore Park)

Perth, Sept 21.—The harsh driv-ing conditions of the Western Australia outback began taking its toll of cars in the London-Sydney rally today as they sped across the harsh Gibson desert. The leading cars were checking in at Ayers Rock, in Central Australia, tonight leaving a string of stragglers in their wake. At least two cars had been forced to withdraw by tonight after accidents, and sevtonight after accidents, and several others were in serious trouble. The leading crews predicted that about 20 of the 51 cars which started the Australian leg from Fremantle, near Perth, would finish the rally. They said many of the competitors at the back of the fleid had not checked the route and would be surprised by the sudden plunges into creek beds and other hazards in some of the most isolated areas. of the most isolated areas.

However, the leading cars made light work of the section from Laverton, 957 kilometres (798 miles) north-east of Perth, to Warburton, a lonely mission station near the border with the Northern Territory. Several averaged 160 kilometres (100 miles) an hour for the section, and at times light aircraft were unable to keep up. The first car into Warburton Mission was a Mercedes Bouz driven by the rally leader, Tony Fowkes, of Britain. He arrived an hour ahead of schedule.

Fowkes was followed by the hour ahead of schedule.

Fowkes was followed by the Polish driver, Sobieslaw Zasada, in a Porsche, Andrew Cowan, of Britain, in a Mercedes, Alfred King, of West Germany, in a Mercedes, Paddy Hopkirk, of Britain, in a Citroen, Brian Hilton, of Australia, in a Peugeot and Ross Dunkerton, of Australia, in a Peugeot.

Ross Dunkerton, of Australia, in a Pengeot.

Among today's casualties were the Australians, Bob Holden and Ian Monk, who clipped a gate and hir a tree while in much place Neither was injured but their Pengeot was extensively damaged and put out of the rally. Michael O'Connell (Ireland) and his wife were forced to witneraw when the suspension on their Citroen collapsed.

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The British driver, Greg Nicholson, in a Chrysler Lancer was stopped when the fan went through the radiator. A Mazda driven by a Dutchman, Brok Kabel, blew a head gasket, and he was awaiting the arrival of a repair crew from Perth. He hopes to rejoin the rally in South Australia.—Reuter.

Baseball

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recting at Ayr yesterday. Fool's Mate was fast out of the stalls and appeared to be going easily with two furlongs still to travel, but Ron Hutchinson, riding patiently, pushed Norfolk Air into the lead inside the final furlong. Norfolk Air, who career. Silver Steel, a Cam-bridgeshire candidate, showed his

Norfolk Air emerged as a pos-sible candidate for the Champion Stakes at Newmarket on October

15 when bartling on in game style lo beat Fool's Mate by half a length in the Doonside Cup at the opening of the four-day Western

Ascot programme 4.10 races |

2.0 SWINLEY FOREST HANDICAP (£1.390: 1m) 2.30 CLARENCE HOUSE STAKES (2-y-0: 52,624: 6f)

00211 Berrylin (D), Doug Smith, 9-3
212 Valgiy Great (D), M. Stoute, 4-4
2 Corlander, M. O'Bring, 8-11
0 Greeze, C. Brittsin, 8-11
0 War Whosp, H. Wragg, 3-11
Admirals Launch, M. Merry, 8-6
Camdon Town, P. Malwyn, 8-6
Negarren, B. Hills, 8-6
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8-1 Valgiv Great, 10-1 War 3.5 CUMBERLAND LODGE STAKES (E7.310: 12m) Tull 111-010 Manevel (C-D), M. O'Frien, 4-9-7.

M.C 0-41023 Orange Bay (B:D), P. Walvyn, 5-9-7.

M.S 10-34-3 Charles Bay (B:D), P. Walvyn, 5-9-7.

M.S 10-34-3 Charles May Mang, 1-9-6, 1-8-11.

Domit 31-4124 Het Grove, R. Houslon, 5-8-5.

M. 1.-8 Weneval, 7-4 Orange Bay, 11-4 Hot Grove, 12-1 Quite Officers. 3.40 DIADEM STAKES (£7,466 : 6f)

4.10 GORDON CARTER HANDICAP (£1,358 : 2m)

5.10 BISHOPSGATE HANDICAP (Apprentices: £1,657: 1m)

Ascot selections

By Our Racing Correspondent By Our Kacing Correspondent. 2.0 Chop-Chup. 2.30 Coriander. 3.5 ORANGE BAY is specially recom-mended. 3.40 Mofida. 4.10 Hallodri. 4.40 Ardent Runner. 5.10 Paddy's

2.30 Derrylin. 3.5 Welsh Dancer. 4.10 Hallodri. 4.40 Al Forman. 5.10 Jackalla.

Taunton NH 2.15 AUTUMN CHASE (£506: 2m)
ici Bally Prince, 5-12-0 . Jones 3
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25-1 Kings Pastime 11-11-12 Mangan
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11-1 Marins Carrabelle 110 Pishermans Coi. 6-12-7 (chards \$ 1-10 Pishermans Coi. 6-12-7 Roborts 7 Soi. Ent. Stuart. 5-11-7 Roborts 7 Soi. Ent. Stuart. 5-11-7 Roborts 7 GOU Princ. Hill. 5-10-1 R. Evans 121 Silve. Peace. 5-10-1 R. Evans 121 Silve. Peace. 5-10-1 R. Evans 30-2 Proceed. 7-10-2 R. Evans 30-2 Sining Heights. 110-1 Remove 7 GOO: Bult the Black 6-10-8 M. Williams 200 Silvoi The Lights. 6-10-0 Mrs Viczery 7 Mrs Viczery 7 GOO: Head-Ge. 9-10-0 Robings 5 11-4 Ert. Stuart. 1-1 Not Hand, 5-1 2.45 WATCHET HURDLE (£375: 2m)

By Our Racing Staff
2.0 Cruising. 2.30 Deed of Cift. 3.5 Claddagh. 3.35 Sioux and Sioux.
4.5 Tanaka. 4.35 ALEXANDRA is specially recommended
By Our Newmarket Correspondent
2.0 Royal Estate. 2.30 Parnesh. 3.5 Young Pip. 3.35 Bogey Mon.
4.5 Little Nugget. 4.35 Grade Well. Corress Advisor, 4-10-7 Kington Coof Royal Fanner, 4-10-7 Roberts 7 G-4 Fallbriul Mats, 5-2 Take it Easy, A-1 Fauner 8-1 Herra Comes Charlie, 10-1 Fair Head, 12-1 Mullion, 16-1 others. 3.15 TAUNTON CIDER
HURDLE (£937: 2m 3f)

44. Fishermans Cot. 6-12-7
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3.45 SEPTEMBER CHASE (Handicap: £719: 3m 1f) c it Easy.

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11-1 Never Worry. 7-12-1 Mr Sioan
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F. Fippant Frod. 10-10-8 C. Jones 3
22-1 Wembelon Hill. 7-10-14 Walter 7
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1-2-01 Hunter Cross. 9-10-0 Thorner
9-1 Never Worry. 13-1 Castleant. 9-2
Hurlars Cross. 8-1 Wembelon Hill. 11-2
Fippant Fred. 4.15 JUVENILE HURDLE 0
(Div I: 3-y-0: £340: Zm)
4.21 Allantic Prince. 11-19 Champton
2.21 Gaptari Miunight. 11-10 Wright
6 Blackmore Park, 11-0
3 Gota Clasp. 11-0 ... Mr Wathen 7
2 Light Rein 11-0 ... Mr Wather 7
2 Stater Vrehn. 11-0 Smith-1Cites
Princess Story, 11-0 ... Athins
4 Rec Grave, 11-0 ... Kernick
8 Saffrons Camble, 11-0 C. Jones 5

Ayr selections

4.45 JUVENILE HURDLE (Div II: 3-y-o: 5340: 2m) Conton Lassie, 11-0 J Williams Durham Wartier, 11-0 J, Suthern Gwaynton 11-0 ... May Henry Hoffcol, 11-0 ... King Luna's Draum, 11-0 ... Hobbs Somerton Prince, 11-0 Thorner The Song, 11-0 ... C. Jones S Wassebaar Rose, 11-0 Warner Henry Hoffcol, 10-0 Nurham Henry Hoffcol, 10-0 Nurham 5-3 Henry Horioot. 100-30 Durbam Warnor. 4-1 Somerion Prince. 1-2 Luna's Dream. 7-1 Tia Song. 9-1 Gwaynton. 14-1 others. SELECTIONS: 2.15 Early Prince. 45 Take it Easy 3.15 Silver Prace. 45 Never Worry. 4.15 Atlantic Prace. 4.45 Durham Warnor.

Lingfield Park results

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2.36 (2.35) PURLEY HANDICAP
(5-y-6: 9525: 1m 1f)
Liberty Lass. b f. by Californ—
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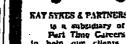
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Referendum in a crisis: it could look like government weakness

Mrs Thatcher's instruct that a Conservative government should rely on the people if challenged course, a healthy one. So was Mr Heath's similar instinct when he put the trade union crisis to the test of a general election in 1974, and I do not think that Mrs Thatcher would deny this whatever she may deny this, whatever she may feel about the policy for which the 1974 election was fought or the way in which the campaign

Undoubtedly, the sorest problem of contemporary demo-cracy is how the legitimate wishes of the people should be channelled into political action.

A general election in the heat
of a political and the heat of a political and economic crisis was clearly shown in 1974 to be the wrong way—and not simply because it produced the "wrong" answer, for the Prime Minister who called it.

That election as almost any. That election, as almost any-ne would be bound to admit, was also an inadequate vehicle for normar opinion because it

was also an inadequate vehicle for popular opinion because it produced an ambiguous result and a non-answer. The question is now whether a referendum, which Mrs Thatcher has suggested she might prefer, would be any better.

The classic objections to referenda are well known, and they are not as strong as many politicians choose to think. First, how can there be any confidence that the people are confidence that the people are actually voting on the question put to them and not on their general opinion of government that puts it? That is easily

likely to vote on the precise dum was a sign of positive question in a referendum than support for joining (as distinct they are in an election, and if from staying, having joined) some of them do not: so be it. Their opinion about (say) the record of the government has

Secondly, there is the objection that referenda, or more accurately, plebiscites, have been extensively used by authoritarian regimes wishing to reinforce their authority by a device which is not a true test of popular opinion.

And, of course, it is true that, faced with the dictator's question: "Do you support ME, or don't you", in a plebiscite, the overwhelming majority of the people will tend to vote for the existing state of things cather than for the things rather than for the unstated and the unknown, which could mean disorder and

the circumstances in which a referendum on some legitimate question of policy would be held in Britain. They are not the circumstances in which the referendum on EEC member-ship was held, or in which the referendum likely to be necessary for any progress with devolution will be held.

Yet, even with the use of such respectable referenda as an escape-route for settling questions that seem otherwise intractable, there is often an element of "vote for me—or for the dangerously unknowable" which I believe distorts meaning of the results.

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the extent to which people were obliged to vote either for the devil they knew (the fait accompli of membership) or the devil they didn't (going out into

the cold). Such are limitations to the efficacy of even the most "respectable" referenda, particularly on complex questions whose consequences are exceptionally hard for the ordinary citizen to calculate.

On the other hand, to the extent that they may act as a test for a certain sort of pro-posals which cannot be otherwise be put to popular opinion, but which ought to be tested, they may be no bad idea, and in Switzerland there is a sound history of referenda.

Particularly where there are

referenda may work quite well. For instance, I can see the point For instance, I can see the point of putting to the people a specific plan to reform the House of Lords, and I find it hard to believe that we could move to devolution without a test of opinion by referendum. There is also much to be said for referenda to test the popular will on the sort of question which political parties deliberately choose never to espouse, therefore denying a real say to the public who generally have the public who generally have to choose between the political

parties on other groun The same applies to the social and conscience questions

often determined by officials, pressure groups and a minority of interested politicians paying little if any regard to public

It certainly seems right that rational consideration should be given to the referendum as a means of measuring public opinion at a time when there are so many misgivings about the ability of governments to represent public opinion on other than a limited range of

The gravest objection is that such referenda would under-mine the House of Commons. Yet a select committee has just proclaimed that civil servants (who have a decisive part in determining these other questions) are not responsive enough to political impulses. And there is much truth in this.

Where Parliament's ability to represent the electorate adequately on such subjects has been by-passed a referendum could hardly daminish an authority which the House of Commons has already virtually less.

Yet when it comes to the kind of circumstances in which Mrs Thatcher now seems to en-visage a referendum other visage a reservation other considerations arise. The most obvious was picked on by union leaders. What happens to the crisis while the referendum is being arranged (assuming, that is, the government has a suf-ficient majority to get it through

Parliament quickly)? Mrs Thatcher sensibly hedged about her idea very carefully;

cabinet yet. And there may be ways in which a referendum could be applied to some of the

The closed shop might be just the sort of question which Mrs Thatcher could put to the people in a referendum, pro-vided she said in her election campaign that she would do it, and held the referendum quickly. Why should popular opinion not be tested on a set specific proposals to deal

Yet this does not seem to be what Mrs Thatcher is thinking what Mrs Thatcher is thinking about. What is in her mind is that a referendum should be used in a crisis in which a union challenged the Government. (This was elicited by facing her with a have-you-stopped-beating-your-wife caricature of a Tory government faced by the miners, to which it was not necessary for her to respond.)

The implication of her re-

The implication of her remark seems to be that the government should then ask the electorate whether they are prepared to pay the higher price for coal, because the government certainly would not subsidize it. Well, that is a party reasonable covering by very reasonable question, but is it one that a government ought to ask when it is under challenge?

I think not. The objection but in the interests of strong government. Effective govern-ment depends on confidence, and that includes the self-con-

it is not one that has come in fidence of a government that this form before the shadow whatever the fluctuations of mence or a government that whatever the fluctuations of opinion polls, whatever the press says, and despite all difficulties, it speaks for the people because it has been elected by the people.

For a government to put such a question to the people in a time of crisis, opening up the possibility of a vote of non-support as well as of support, is surely to demonstrate a lack of self-confidence.

Can one imagine Churchill in 1940 instiruing a referendum asking for a declaration of support for carrying on the struggle? Of course not, He took it for granted that he had popular support, and he had popular support because he took it for granted.

Democratic and popular government depends on the instinc-tive communication between leaders and led which reinforces authority. That is also what happens in a classroom, What would happen to a what would nappen to a teacher's authority who said when it was chalkenged: "On this specific question, do I have support or not?"—and asked for a vote?

Confidence in the right of legitimate authority is at the heart of stable politics, and it is when it is lacking that revocould surely never be right for a Tory government, legislmately elected, to act in such a way as to suggest that its parliamentary authority for discretionary action, given the support of the House of Commons, was

Are the public really to pay the price of big government?

The malaise of the British economy and British society derives whimstely from the national, regional and local

Big government requires large bureaucracles, high taxa-tion, constriction of scope for non-governmental institutives in business, community and fam-ily lives. It has thereby deminished acceptance of law, induced tax evasion in all social groups, encouraged cyn-inism of politicians. Big government has conditioned to inflation by becoming the large-scale employer of labour whose wage demands can be seen to be mer by the simple expedient of printing pape

Big government has made the British economy inefficient by removing or weakening competition in fuel and transport, education and medical care end a wide range of local authority services.

Big government is some three times as big as it must be. Only a third, penhaps rather more, probably less, of British government services must be financed by taxes because they are what economists call "public goods" that cannot be refused to people who refuse to pay: external deplomants services, aid (or most) of defence, some (not all) internel law and order, some ("public") health order, some ("prodec") hearth services, some fire services, probably some research (mili-tery, medical, etc.), some rossis, some environmental (coast, etc.) protection, prob-ably artistic and architectural

The rest could substantially be supplied to individuals in the markets (almost), all education, most health services, all housing, some police and fire nousing, some ponce and interest, some roads, all carparking, refuse collection,
employment information, transport and fuel, water, seaside
beaches and amenities, "public" libraries, "public" lavatories, and much more.

The present bigness of Brirish government does not re-flect public opinion. There is no machinery for reflecting public opinion on "public" services. The ballot box does not enable individuals to indicate preferences in the kind or scale of each "public" (government-supplied) service. No British elector has ever No British elector has ever voted (separately) for the National Health Service, state education, council housing, "public" libraries, "public" beaches because these (and other) "public" services cause the disintangled from the

other 32, 57 or 116 policies offered by the parties. Public opinion, if it could indicate its preferences, would prefer less government, prefer smaller bureaucracies, lower taxes, much smaller "social wages", more choice in education and health services and in housing and pensions, more competition in fuel and trans-port, less "public" expend-cure on local authority libraries, swimming pools, more say in everything and less paternalism from official-

In Charge, published today, I argue that the only effective way to bring about these reforms is to replace taxes by prices for "public" wherever possible.

Charges would increase revenue for the public services that individuals wisher to remain supplied by govern-ment Charging would in time transfer to the market services the public found could be pro-vided more directly by competing private suppliis.

Charging would, by thus creating or stimulating competition, increase the efficiency of all "public" services supplied by government or in the market. Charging would lower taxes and thus intensify incentives to produce, invest and take risks.

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The Chinese connexion : May Wong, jailed for trafficking drugs, and Chinese celebrating in Gerrard Street, Soho, where Triad members were murdered last year.

Recent outbursts of gang warfare among Chinese community in London, and intense activity by Scotland Yard's hood, criminal or otherwise, drugs squad, have lifted a riny corner of the veil which shrouds a worldwide criminal resistance movement to oppose cient as anything ever dreamt up by the Mafia. The game is

heroin, and the prizes are counted in millions of pounds. Police speak loosely of rivalry among the Triads, the Chinese secret societies which the Mafia, have degenerated from respectable political ori-gins into control of the hard drugs traffic from South-East

But the Chinese community is by nature the most secretive, the most closely-knit and the least integrated of all immigram groups in Britain, and drugs officers have found it a near-impossible task to pene-

Nevertheless the drugs squad has in the last year scored some notable successes in intercepting the traffic, and another major breakthrough may be imminent. Responsible member of the Chinese comnunity, sickened by violence, are slowly coming forward with offers of cooperation. A little of Triad activities in

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The original Triad Society, resistance movement to oppose the domination of the Manchu

Secret societies flourished during the short-lived Chinese Republic, and the most in-fluential of the present-day criminal organizations, the 14has its origins in this period. Formed in Cauton in 1945 by the Nationalist government to rally support against the communists, it takes its name from the house at which it was established, No 14, Po

Wah Road, Canton. After the communist victory its leaders scattered and, devoid of political purpose, switched their attention to organized crime in Taiwan and Hongkong. The 14-K is now the dominant force in organized the Chinese community in Britain.

Their principal opponents are the Woh Singh Wo, a much older secret society of impeccable history.

But not all Chinese secret with offers of cooperation. A societies are necessarily crimlittle of Triad activities in Britain is becoming known.

Secret societies were an integral part of Chinese society for the 1850s as a mutual benefit

Heroin: at last the veil is lifted on London's secret Chinese societies

The Chi Kung Tong was the one secret society espoused by Hong Kong Police were the Chinese communists on seconded to instruct the Yard their accession to power, and a in the ways of organized deal was done between the two Chinese crime. It was a timely in which continued existence exercise; latest figures from was offered in return for the United Nations Commission efforts to influence Chinese communities abroad in the ways of Chairman Mao. Full membership of a Triad

involves a long apprenticeship, a complex initiation ceremony full of ritual and oaths, of which the penultimate is: "I perfect the penultimate is: "I penulti must never reveal (secret society) secrets or signs when speaking to outsiders. If I do so I will be killed by myriads of swords." There is little of swords." There is little doubt that this threat is visited

Tong upon recalcitrants.

y) was Scotland Yard began to take a serious interest in the Triads gral part of Chinese society for the 1860s as a mutual benefit last year, when it became enturies before the communist takeover in 1949, and were the country's equivalent of western Freemasonry.

Street, Liverpool, where there is a social club and funeral parlour, and has never been previously been regarded

accused of any criminal activ- chiefly as one of marijuana, were increasing significantly. Senior officers of the Royal on Narcotic Drugs show that the flow of South-East Asian heroin into Europe has increased by 130 per cent since

> Membership of a Triad is illegal in Hongkong, but it is perfectly legal here. Drugs squad officers, hampered by ignorance and the clammishness of Chinese society, found it difficult to make headway in the investigation of internecine murders in Gerrard Street last

But a recent appeal for information published in Sin Tao, the Chinese-language drily published in London, has produced encouraging results. Outbreaks of violence, as

tautant, Bayswater, last month, when a gang of youths attacked two diners with meat cleavers, knives and swords, brings no comfort to the Triad commodity in the world, great-er even than diamonds, and any activity which attracts outside interest is bad for busin

The latest outbreak is thought to be the work of the Woh Singh Wo, whose Woh Singh Wo, whose "enforcer", the local official responsible for discipline, is now in prison for drug offences. His absence has apparently encouraged a breakaway group to seek a slice of the profitable protection rackets which are an inevitable undercurrent of the drug

There have been hints that the dominant 14K has told its members to steer clear of any overt violence, for fear of disrupting the smooth conduct of the heroin operation.

Profits from the heroin traffic are enormous. May Wong, the Roedean-educated

trafficker jailed for 14 years in January, would buy 2lb of heroin in Singapore for £12.000; by the time it reached the streets of London, sold to addicts for between £40 and £80 a græm, her consignment was worth well over £1m. was worth well over £1m. More heroin has been seized in Britain this year then ever before. In 1971 the amount on the market was negligible; in

happened in the Kam Tong restaurant, Bayswaner, last month, toms officials seized 10lb, and when a gang of youths in 1976 they found over 31lb.

On New Year's Day this year a 14lb haul was discovered at Headurow in the luggage of a passenger arriving from Bang-kok, and in February a cache of 26lb was found in the hold of a Makaysian freighter in Cardiff docks. One lesson slowly being

learnt by drugs officers is that the errest of traffickers like May Wong does little to disrupt the system; as soon as one is arrested, the organizaplacement. Wong herself was a replacement for Mervyn Wong, an agent of the Wo Singh Woh, arrested a short time before, who made the fatal mistake of being "bitten by the Big Ele-phant"—becoming addicted to the drug he peddled.

It is odd to reflect that the deadly white powder, properly called diacetylmorphine, was given the name "heroin" as a trademark at the turn of the century by a German pharmaceutical company which marketed it as a sovereign cure

for coughs.
It is less odd to reflect that it was the British who intro-duced it to China in the first place, the opium from which it place, the opium from watch is made being a convenient commodity with which the East India Company could make up its trade deficit with the rest of the Empire.

Alan Hamilton

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Controversial, but tapping history's well

That controversial historian, David Irving, who annoyed many people with his recent next few months. book on Hitler which exonerated the Führer from any part in the extermination of the Jews, is to sustain his exciting attitude to the Second World War with a tome unlikely to please the Churchill family. Mr Irving has spent the past

months researching Churchill for a book which is expected to suggest that the great man was as much a monster as Hitler (Jewish atrocities or not) and Stalin. From his spacious Grosvenor

Square apartment yesterday he told me that the book will be " unsettling ", but would not go into great detail. "It will be disturbing in his dealings with the Czech diplomats in London at the time of the Munich crisis and, in that connexion, all his private financial positions of that time", he added, mysteriously.

In case anyone is interested,
Mr Irving insists on adding
that as he grew to know
Churchill (during the period
of his research) he found himself "oddly warming to him".

The book, which will need about another 18 months of research, partly in America, is expected to be published in two years time. Meanwhile, Mr rving is to sustain our interest in his great talent for controversy by publishing two more contentious works within the

Michael Joseph will publish the first volume of his interpretation of Hitler in April. It deals with the period 1933 to 1939 and "plugs directly into the start" of the already pub-lished second volume. More lished second volume. More interesting, perhaps, Weiden-feld and Nicolson will publish Mr Irving's biography of Field Marshal Rommel which is called The Trail of the Fox.

Not one to let go of a good story when he has got it. Mr Irving continues to investigate things Nazi with much success. On this occasion he concludes that Rommel's suicide was not as we have always believed it

"I think I have got inside his mind ", Mr Irving tells me after spending some months wrest-ling with German shorthand notes nearly as old as his 39 years. He adds that while he has had much sympathetic correspondence since the publi-cation of his book on Hitler he has also been subjected to some

This included the theft recently of the mascot from his Rolls-Royce which he left in London while abroad.

Hoping jumbo remembers

Missing yesterday from the mantlepiece of the headmaster's study at Brighton College were 15 carved elephants. Tradition at the 132-year-old public school says they represent the souls of departed headmasters.

"We hope this is just a schoolboy prank and that the missing elephants will find their way back on to the headmaster's mantelpiece", the college Bursar, Kenneth Walker, Because of possible insurance

claims if the elephants do not turn up, the headmaster, William Blacksbaw, has had to call in the police.

Not size but quality

It was not, the lovely lady from Wexford told me, a press con-ference. She proved it by neither pressing nor conferring. "It is", she went on, seduc-tively, "just a luncheon for friends of the Wexford Festi-val". And then she proceeded to press and confer at some

Announcing the plans for next month's (as I see it) alcoholic extravaganza, the deeply Scottish artistic director of the Festival Opera, Thomson trustee) which sponeous investi-

was two point seven times the size of Aida (whatever that might mean) and yet had to be produced on the tiny Wexford

Mr Smillie added that "the opera trains are completely sold "-fancy, the idea of opera-going without a train and wearing just a short frackette seems hardly credible. The Festival (teasing aside) will be a huge success as usual, I am sure—I hope so, for Mr sure—I hope so, for war Smillie is to retire after next year's one,

Rose by any other name

That peripatenc MP, my old friend Norman St John Stevas (Conservative) is off to Washington to "celebrate" (his word not mine) the presentation of an honorary degree at Georgetown University to Mrs Rose Kennedy, the patient mother of that family, whose former daughter in law has just his the beadlines (again) over a certain will soulement.

Mrs Kennedy, who is 87, olsendy holds two honorary. degrees and is a keen advocate the Kennedy Institute (of aution into something known as



bio-entits (the examination of medico-moral problems, Mr St John Stevas told me helpfully yesterday). The lostitum is to hold its annual meeting next

The stradow education minister has been on holiday in the like of Capri. He is obviously keen to get back to the real business of politics and favours (pace his holiday island rearest) active older ladies.

Special pleading consume-wise

Lawyers keen to maintain thek present lucrative ways of doing the street business want to put on the street street street best possible face before the street Royal Commission on Lega-Services. They have not been enjoying too good a press, s est their skill in advocacy required to underline the vital role in upholdin individual liberties and citizen rights in the pressure modern society.

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No 3, Part I, Paragraph 6, 6 the Law Society's evidence & the Royal Commission, the describe a revised course a qualify as a solicitor which comes into force in 1980. Surprise, surprise; consume protection comes neither in the section called "The Solicing and his Private Client", not under "Leignton". It come instead under the heading "The

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Sir, Your report (September 17) from Rome on the Italian Communist Party "giving up Marx" n and a press o 111 12 AL DEED may lead to some misunderstandings. According to the report, Professor Lombardo Radice of the o anderline the :n upholein bergins and thirth party's Central Committee, has declared that acceptance of rie pressure 6 Marxism-Leninism is a requirement ery the Le me Le men the transfer to make the quit the more side the winter and the men to the transfer to the of party members and that by the next national congress this require-

"its application to the solution of concrete questions", but in the same sentence there is a waiver stating "excepted for the norms of Article 2", which thus overrules Article 5. Article 2 states that in order to join the party a citizen must "trespective of his race. religious bellef or philosophical convictions, accept the political programme of the party ... " and be prepared to work on its behalf, pay the dues, etc.

This formulation has been in existence since the war and was specifically inserted to permit Catholics to join without having to give up their religious belief.



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Government WHAT WILL MR VORSTER PROVE?

election for November 30 1977 need time to work himself in. because he sees that mid-1979, The question must, however, the normal time for an election, be asked, what will a massive will be very much worse. He has 123 seats in a House of 171 and show of white South African solidarity behind the Nationalisi to go to the country half way through his term when in such Party really mean? It is hardly necessary to have an election strength is a clear admission that South Africa and the at this stage to demonstrate that the majority of white South Nationalist Party are facing an Africans reject ingenuous unprecedented crisis. To that American proposals for a one extent the point so promptly man one vote franchise and the made by the various opposition dismantling of the bantustan leaders, that the decision is a policy at an early date. These confession of weakness, is well proposals, put forward tentataken. But the approval of the tively by Mr Mondale in Vienna, Afrikaner organs of opinion also stems from deep-rooted were really a statement of American beliefs and ideals, and instincts: in a tight corner show a declaration that the United the world that your people are States felt no necessity to hold white South Africa for the western world. South Africans solidly behind you. This was the thinking of Mr Ian Smith's recent election and for what it may be angry about American is worth he got his unconditional policy, but no election will vote of confidence. On a larger change it. scale Mr Vorster seems to have A Nationalist victory would a similar intention.

No doubt the inchoate condi-

tion of the opposition parties is

a temptation. To pick up a few

more of the former United Party

Sir de Villiers Grauff's New

be more apparent. It is not

impossible that Mr Vorster has

his own retirement in mind, in

which case the Nationalist Party

election to settle upon a suc-

If a person wishes to stand for

electors in the constituency of

his choice, must put down a

deposit of £150 and must forfeit

that deposit if he fails to win the

support of at least an eighth of

those who vote. These conditions

have not been changed since

1918 and there is a growing

body of opinion that believes it

is time to bring them up to date.

In a book published today Mr

take account of the fall in the

value of money in the meantime the figure would be £1,200. But

he goes on to suggest a round

That is appropriate. What is

needed is a sum that would be

sufficient to deter frivolous

candidates in search of a bit of

notoriety and perhaps some

cheap publicity. Every candidate

has the right to send one free

in the past two days Israel has

intervened more overtly and

directly than before in the fight-

ing in South Lebanon. Western

correspondents in Israel have

crossing into Lebanese territory.

Western news agencies have

reported from Lebanon that

Israeli infantry and armoured

vehicles crossed the border and

"took up positions". The Israeli Prime Minister, Mr Begin, has publicly offered "to

take part immediately in cease-

fire talks to end the fighting in

offer, not so much because it is

an implicit admission of Israeli

involvement (since Israel has for

some, weeks admitted giving

artillery cover to the right-wing

Lebanese forces) but rather

because it prompts an obvious

This is a very interesting

southern Lebanon".

figure of £1,000.

Parliament he must have his to each elector, which Mr Craig nomination paper signed by ten calculates to be worth £4,500 in

F W. S. Craig, head of Parliadate should have the support of mentary Research Services, fifty instead of ten electors, points out that if that sum of Allowing for the growth in the £150 were to be adjusted to average electoral roll over the

SUPPORT.

WHO IS TO MAKE PEACE IN LEBANON?

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tion

Israel

seen armoured troop carriers is none other than Mr Yassir

only resolve the growing debate within the party itself if Mr Vorster plainly said in the campaign what precise policies such a victory would endorse—and repudiate any candidate to either side of him who talk out of line. He presumably will say that a vote for the party is a vote for some social change notably for the plans for Coloured and Asian parallel pseudo-parliaments. He can easily get applause for a strong law and order line, and take this to exonerate the police over the death of Steven Biko.

But will he then come out for local self-government for Soweto and comparable black townwhich case the Nationalist Party ships within white South needs time before the ensuing Africa? Will he declare that black workers can have equal

communication through the post

free postage in the average con-

stituency of 64,500 electors. It would be no infringement of

democratic principle to make

the least successful candidates

risk paying more for this privi-

lege. It would equally be wise to make it rather harder for

those who are not serious candi-

dates to get on the ballot paper

at all by requiring that a candi-

years, that too would not be unreasonable. Nor would it be

with a modicum of public

At the same time, it is

important that new rules should

not discriminate against parties

whose candidates have a serious

political purpose. The only con-

tribution that the gimmicky can-

didate can make is to enable the

consequence

Palestinians fighting under the

banner of the Palestine Libera-

toured the front last weekend,

Arafat. It is therefore difficult

to see with whom Israel could

negotiate a ceasefire in South

neutral in the Lebanese conflict

because it was never a straight-

forward civil war but always a

war fought by and about the Palestinians. Since the Pales-

tinians had used Lebanese terri-

tory as a springboard for raids

on Israel, Israel was bound to

support those Lebanese who

wanted to disarm the Pales-

tinians. But those Lebanese were

not strong enough to defeat the

Palestinians on their own. The

only Arab force strong enough

to impose a ceasefire in Lebanon

proved to be the Syrian army. And the only part of Lebanon where the Palestinians have

remained an independent military power is the South, for the paradoxical reason that

The term "Marxist-Leninist", as

your report states, has disappeared

from party usage, but only in

favour of the expression "Marxism

and Leninism". The absence of the

hyphen is taken to imply that the

philosophical principles guiding the

party are not to be considered a

close and dogmatic system. Thus

the declaration of Professor Lom-

bardo Radice may be of less signi-

ficance than it would seem at first.

It should, however, be seen in the context of current debates among

Communists themselves and between

Communists and non-Communists on

the ideological presupposition of the

party line. It is obvious from Lombardo Radice's intervention

that the position of preeminence accorded to Marxism in the party

constitution is being challenged.
Marxists within the Communist

Party will have to conquer and

maintain this position without the

support of a written document (as in practice they have had to do for

a number of years). However, I feel that those who expect the

Communist Party to initiate an Italian version of Bad Godesberg

will be disappointed.

90 Rodenhurst Road, SW4.

Yours faithfully,

D SASSOON,

September 17.

would not allow the

The truth is that Israel has never been and never could be

Lebanon, if not with the PLO.

Organization.

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an impediment to small

pay and trade unions? On many such issues on the crumbling edges of the central commitment to "separate development", the Nationalists are deeply divided. Only explicit statements by Mr Vorster will show. If they are extracted from him, the election will clear the air a little.

Basically a massive vote of

support for Mr Vorster and his carefully composed government of verkramptes and vertigies, will be a vote for apartheid, pseudoindependent bantustans, indefinite exclusion of the black majority from any share in national decision-making. It will hardly reflect the anxious but tentative new thinking among young Afrikaners, nor a changing but likewise still tentative mood among whites generally. It will stifle or swamp expression of this. Perhaps in 1979 it would have been reflected in some significant Progressive Federal Party gains. Next month the only gains the Progressives will make will be at the expense of other fragments of the United Party,

which will clarify nothing. If the election reassures South Africans that they can form a laager and defy the trends and pressures of the modern world, it will do them and their children a disservice. A siege or a siege economy is no policy for a governing party, because it is not a solution to problems, nor does it promise victory or peaceful settlements. For who will raise the siege? In 1899 Paul Kruger declared war on the British. Mr Vorster challenges much more intractable if slower-moving foes in 1977—the world, and the late twentieth century. Unlike Kruger he has no sympathisers.

able to risk a sharp increase in

the sum lost in deposits, is quite another matter. It is democratically healthy that such parties should not be prevented from contesting elections and thereby attracting the publicity

thereby attracting the publicity that might win them a greater measure of support in the future.

Yet that is just what might hap-

pen if the size of the deposit was

increased substantially and the

criterion for losing it was left unchanged. It would be right

tion of the poll required for sav-

to, say, a twentieth. That would still be more than the

merely frivolous could hope to

get, but it would mean that in

deterring them one would not be

driving serious parties from the

Syrian army to enter that

Israel's motive for this is

presumably that in a full-scale

war the Syrian army is a far

greater threat to her security

than the PLO can ever be, and

that she prefers to keep South

Lebanon as a buffer zone rather

than let it be incorporated into

the Syrian front. There is also

the danger that Syria might

allow or encourage a resumption

of Palestinian guerrilla raids on

Israel as part of a war of

attrition. Israel would prefer to

see South Lebanon controlled by

a neutral Lebanese army. The

trouble is that in the wake of

the civil war such an army is

proving very difficult to con-

to undertake the task for many

months yet. Meanwhile Israel is

more and more drawn in to try-

ing to do the job herself. This

is a dangerous course, which

would lead logically to annexa-tion. It would be better to let

the Syrians move into the area,

and have the lines between their

forces and the Israelis policed

by the United Nations, as

already happens on the Golan

Sir. Mr Christopher Price, MP for

Lewisham West (September 15) criticises electro-convulsive therapy.

If he had spoken to psychiatrists beforehand he would have learned

that it can be given without caus-

ing memory impairment or a sense

terror. His suggestion that

sychiatrists punish their patients

One of the reasons why Mr Price

is so poorly informed about

psychiatry is because Lewisham is

the only district in South London

to lack an inpatient psychiatric unit in a local hospital. His con-

stituents who need such care have

to travel to distant mental hospitals

and feel unhappy about it. Psychiatrists have tried to remedy this

situation without success. If Mr

Price were to use his talents in

persuading the authorities to estab-

lish such a unit, his constituents

would be less deprived and he would be able to learn about

modern psychiatric practice at first

Yours faithfully,

September 19.

JOHN T. HUTCHINSON.

Consultant Psychiatrist,

King's College Hospital, Denmark Hill, SE5.

Treating mental illness

From Dr John Hutchinson

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HIGHER DEPOSITS, EASIER TO SAVE

Kensington, At that time, Iain Macleod sent a letter to Nigel Fisher saying, "If you go, I go". It is seven years too late for my father to make the same tolerance of his fellow citizens to be displayed. But a party that is relatively small-which declaration on Nick Scott's behalf. includes all parties except Labour and Conservative—and not sufficiently wealthy to be

> DIANA HEIMANN Hertfordshire House,

Birmingham bishopric From the Reverend Canon A. K.

Sir, News these days is often depressing. I was heartened, there-fore, to read of the sharply worded opposition by a leading Birmingham Conservative and the Birmingham Evening Mail to any suggestion that Hugh Montefiore should succeed to

Hugh Montetiore should succeed to the See of Birmingham.

It is clearly important that a bishop should be non-controversial. The harmony of the social system might otherwise be threatened. We have only to read the histories of Isaiah, Jeremiah, St Paul and Jesus Christ to realize how inconvenient controversiality are

We might have relied upon Mr Beaumont-Dark to identify the bishop as an ass. Dostoersky wrote a novel more or less called The Ass, and we can recall the indifferent public showing made by the hero of that tale. I stand behind my Birmingham colleagues. What the Church and Britain needs today is not responsibility but respecta-bility; not prophets but safe men. Yours sincerely KEITH WALKER,

Canon Lane.

Chichester, Sussex. September 15.

Water colours gallery From the Dowager Lady Davidson (Lady Northchurch) Sir, My attention has been drawn

ro help towards the cost of a new gallery now being built on Bank-side at Blackfriars. It has been successful so far in raising some

are urgently needed.
The RWS, founded in 1804, is the oldest and most distinguished water colour society in the world and it is a tragedy that rising rents and rates are forcing the Society to vacate its present premises in Conduit Street, The members are facing the challenge of establishing themselves in an entirely new area. Southwark Council are to be complimented on their cooperation in providing the new site and securing such a cultural amenity. Water colour painting is part of our national art heritage and we should

precious jewel. pictures.

Our great city could be justly proud to sponsor such a worthy cause. Yours faithfully,

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

mustered against a powerful trade union which holds itself to be

above the law is that evasive con-cept known as "public opinion". Surely what Mrs Thatcher is sug-

gesting is that there may be circumstances which call for the

galvanizing of such opinion which, it

it supported a proposed line of action by the government, could

make that action practical for the very reason that it would be seen

to be supported not only by the

government but also by the mass of

the people—a very different proposition. The fact that the "mass of the people" would include vert numbers of moderate trade union

members strengthens the argument. Yours faithfully,

Sir. Contrary to what you seem to be arguing in your leader today (September 19), the announcement

by Mrs Thatcher that, in the ex-treme event of a major government-

union confrontation, she would call for a referendum is neither political

camouflage nor irrelevancy, but is a sign of a strong determination not to end up in a February 1974"

Firstly, a national referendum

could be used to give the Government the political authority to do

nothing, to ride out a strike without becoming involved, and hence without being forced to concede to a union over the heads of an employer. This could well arise if there was a strike involving a nationalized industry where the

union has traditionally negotiated directly with the ministers involved.

Secondly, a referendum could give the Government the authority

to take action against the effects of

a strike, ie. to ensure the mainten-ance of vital supplies and services.

or to prevent the intimidation of

workers not otherwise involved. One thinks of course of the many strikes

which have led to the blockade of

Mrs Thatcher has thus served

notice that a Conservative govern-ment, armed with the affirmative

vote of the electors, would meet any confrontation forced upon it with a

resolve and a determination at least

as strong as that of any union, and

has warned that no minority will be

allowed to impose its wishes on the Government by the threat of in-

Sir, The contingency put to Mrs Thatcher in Weekend World on

Sunday, September 18, was that the

miners might price themselves out of work and go on strike because

they had done so; and, having done

so, get the active support of the whole trade union movement. She said, quite rightly, that it was un-

likely to happen. Indeed, it is so unlikely that her suggestions of

what she might do in such an im-

probable event are unimportant

If I may use Marxist terms, any-one who thinks that these days there

are workers who will price their labour out of employment and then

get the active sympathy of the rest of the working class is labouring

under a bourgeois illusion. Yours faithfully,

D. E. FOLKES.

Eaking, W5. September 19.

Queen's Walk,

except for propaganda purposes.

dustrial or physical force. Yours faithfully,

DAVID MATHIESON.

From Mr D. E. Folkes

37 Pinfold Drive, Ecclesson,

St Helens

Merseyside.

the power stations.

P. J. R. SPIRA, 1 Si George Street, W.1. September 21.

situation.

From Mr David Mathieson

Attempt to unseat Tory MP

From Mr Neville Beale Sir, With reference to the ritem today (September 21) on p. one and the leading article conc ing what you state to be the sit tion of Chelsea's MP, Mr Nich-Scott, may I state the following

1. A private business meeting the Standing Selection Commit of Chelsea Conservative Associat was held this week to discuss a procedure for adoption of the pri pective parliamentary candidate, 2. All those present agreed the nothing would be said in publi

before the Executive Council meet ing acxt week.

3. Regrettably, some members of the committee have seen fit to break this agreement.

4. The resulting press reports have been inaccurate, and I am therefore obliged to state that ideological matters are not the main criticism which have been directed by members of this association against the Member of Parliament. 5. Distress at this allegation of ideological differences has been reflected in telephone calls and letters which I have received since the meeting from several of those

6. Suggestions that I have been leading a campaign against the Member of Parliament are quite untrue. The receipt and investigarion of complaints against the Member started under my predecessor as chairman of the association.
7. Your suggestion that "Chelsea is almost the last place where one would expect the misfortunes (sic) of private life to be used to demand a man ... is also unlikely to be appreciated in the constituency.

Yours sincerely, NEVILLE BEALE, Chairman, Chelsea Conservative Association, 1A Chelsea Manor Street, SW3. September 21,

From Mrs Diana Heimann Sir, Eight years ago, Sir Nigel Fisher, MP was facing the same problem in his constituency as Nicholas Scott has in Chelsea and

I wonder which of his friends. colleagues and supporters will now stand up and be counted? Yours faithfully.

Buckinghamshire. September 21

controversialists are. Opposition to Concorde naturally indicated complete lack of appreciation of engineering skill and the needs of the aviation industry, which are the points at issue in the dispute. It allied him also with such simpletons as Artbur Koestler. Baroness Stocks, and at least four Fellows of the Royal Society.

The Precentor, Chichester Cathedral, The Residentiary,

to a recent report in your paper of the plight of the Royal Society of Painters in Water Colours which is facing a most difficult time in its long history.

The Society is appealing for funds

£80,000 by covenants over the next seven years. It needs £200,000. There has been some support from industry, trusts and foundations and other well wishers, but more funds

up of societies working for refugees in this country, has over the years built up its own staff. and settlement of refugees, other than students looked after by World University Service, have in recent years usually been shared between BCAR's staff and that of Ockenden Venture, itself a member of our Council. to the limit in attending to the cumulative needs of some hundreds of unsertled refugees of over 30 different nationalities who have do our utmost to preserve such a

I write, not as a practising artist, but as a member of that great body of citizens who enjoy looking at

JOAN DAVIDSON, NORTHCHURCH, 16 Lord North Street.

Westminster, SW1.

Mrs Thatcher and the trade unions

From Sir Ian Gilmour, MP for the land which can effectively be Chesham and Amersham (Conserva-

ir, Your leading article (Septem-ir 19) "Calling in the people" izely observed that "Not much refit is to be had from con-dering the wisdom or efficacy a referendum in ignorance of the reumstances which prompt the lling of it". Unfortunately you en immediately lorger your own se words, and in doing so you retually ignored the circumstances which the proposal was made. Before Mrs Thatcher's interview, we were shown a film which borh in its general shoddiness and in its political content was a passable immitation of a Labour Party political broadcast.

That film seemed to envisage something in the nature of a general strike in support of the miners' demands. Your criticism therefore that because of the policies likely to be followed by the next Conto be followed by the next Con-servative government only the Coal Board and the NUM would be involved is plainly unjustified. Not even Professor Hayek himself would counsel government inaction in face of a threatened general

strike.

And your second implied criticism

—that a lot of referenda would be undesirable—is equally wide of the mark since even the most bigoted Labour propagandist could hardly expect (or hope) that such a situation would crop up very often. In fact, as Mrs Thatcher emphasized in the programme it is highly

in the programme, it is highly unlikely to occur at all.
In attacking Mrs Thatcher, Mr Michael Foot tells us that "It is in the House of Commons that the community of Britain is supposed to make its final decisions on these matters. The House is to be directly answerable. . . " Leaving aside such little incidents as his bending the rules of the Commons, and when that stratagem failed fixing the vote, Mr Foot was a fervent protagonist of the referendum on the EEC, though the House of Commons had already made "its final decision" on that issue. And recently Mr Foot has been a supporter of breaking the constitutional convention of collective ministerial responsibility to the House of Commons by claiming to be allowed to oppose his own Government's Bill. Until Mr Foot's constitutional practice comes within shouting distance of his words, it would be seemly for him to keep silent on constitutional questions. Of course referenda have their disadvantages, but in a free state a government's only support is public opinion. And in London Weekend's scenario the Labour Party, unless it has learned responsibility since 1973 (which seems unlikely), would be slavishly supporting the miners. In such circumstances a referendum would almost certainly be the most

reliable way of discovering where public sympathies lay.

To what Roosevelt used to call an "iffey" question, only an "iffey" response can be made. But granted that Mrs Thatcher was asked a very hypothetical question indeed, she surely gave the best possible answer.

I am, Sir, your obedient servant, JAN GILMOUR, House of Commons. September 20.

From Mr P. J. R. Spira Sir, The chorus of criticism of Mrs Thatcher's suggestions that in certain special and exceptional circumstances a referendum might called to obtain the views of the nation on an extreme industrial dispute, is perhaps just a measure of the apprehension with which such a prospect is regarded by those who wish to see the rule of law weak-

ened by organizations powerful enough to ignore it. It must be recognized that in such circumstances the only power in

Refugees from Vietnam

Council for Aid to Resugees

From the Chairman of the British

Sir, Your leading article (September 15) about the plight of the South Vietnamese "boat people" quotes a figure of 151 being taken by

Some comment from the Council which has undertaken sponsorship

of these people may be relevant.
We do not think the question whether more "boat people" should

be brought here can be considered in isolation. This country has a long and honourable tradition of

offering asylum to refugees; but the

number of refugees, as distinct from other immigrants, admitted to this country in the past five years has been very small, averaging no more than 1,000 a year. Fear of admitting more should not be allowed to overtide humanitarian considerations.

The problems of refugees, especially those of non-European origin, are difficult to solve, requir-

ing resources of money, accom-

modation, jobs and local support. It may not be generally known that

no reception centres are provided

by government. It has been left to

voluntary agencies to make their

own arrangements. In so far as

government has concerned itself

with refugees once they have been given asylum, it has normally worked through the British Council for Aid to Refugees. BCAR, at first mainly a coordinating council made

Arrangements for the reception

Our staff is at present stretched

been referred to us in the past two

years. If larger numbers of refugees are to be admitted, whether "boat

people" or others, many of whom are in equal need, more help in

money and experienced personnel

will have to be found. It is not win nave to be found. It is not mainly that available reception centres and staff to man them are fully occupied, but that local support groups would need to be

set up in places where jobs, homes and schooling are most promising.

This has been done for refugees from Chile with considerable success by the Joint Working Group set up by BCAR, Christian Aid, Ockenden Venture and World University Service, in conjunction with the Chile Committee for Human Rights and largely financed by sovernment.

by government.

Whether something of the same
Whether something of the same sort should be done for "boat people" is ultimately a political question. Our experience of them shows they are resilient people. better able to adapt to British con-ditions than might be expected, but it is hard to believe that no better them (many of them fisher people) half way round the world to Britain.

Finally, the needs of old refugees, now long term exiles in Britain, must not be forgotten, or BCAR's dwindling resources diverted to help new arrivals. Many of those most in need are widows of Poles, Czechs, etc. who fought as part of our Army, Navy or Air Force, between 1940 and 1945. Yours faithfully.

PHILIP BARBER, Chairman, The British Council for Aid to Refugees, 35 Great Peter Street, SW1.

From Mr George H. Trenter Sir. Your leader (September 15) is as humane as it is timely. May I compliment you on upholding the value of human lives and stressing our common responsibility towards fellow humans of whatever origin. This should be a universal obliga-tion and you, so rightly complain about the inadequacy of the support, if given at all.
What can be done, if there is good

will, is illustrated by the following: In June a small Israeli cargo ship rescued from the high seas 66 Viemamese refugees in distress and was not allowed to put them ashore ar her ports of call. The captain radioed the owners who in turn, informed the Prime Minister of Israel Mr Begin immediately gave permission for their entry into Israel and-to alleviate their misery -instructed that they should be flown in, I am glad to learn that the Vietnamese population in Israel has

now increased to 67 due to the birth of a baby boy.

The total population of tiny Israel is about one third of the number of people living in London. What they can do, ali can do. Yours faithfully,

GEORGE H. TRENTER, 19 Holyoake Walk Hampstead Garden Suburb, N2,

Salvation Army marches

From the General of the Salvation Army Sir, Believing that Britain's greatest

present need is the acceptance by every citizen of Jesus Christ as Lord, Salvetionists must view with dismay the well-intentioned ban for five weeks by Tameside Council of all processional marches.

From its inception The Salvation Army has seen the need to take the gospel to the man in the street. both by open-air meetings and by procession. With uninhibited vigour, early-day Salvationists obeyed the maxim "The church bells say 'Come'. The Army drum says' Fetch 'em'."

The right to proclaim the gosnel message in the streets was declared by the High Court in 1882 (see Beatty v Gillowiks 9 CBD 308) and several times restated. That came was the culmination of a struggle-for personal liberty in the cause of which numbers of Salvationiris were assaulted, imprisoned, and

some even died. In attempting to ban violence and brute force from our streets 'ct . us not fall into the error of banishing also the unanswerable testimony of God's redeeming grace in human lines.

human lives, Yours faithfully, ARNOLD BROWNE, General, Salvation Army, International Headquarters, EC4.

Reforming the Lords

From Mr Alan Campbell, QC Sir. If the two great needs are less legislation and more control over the executive, it is possible that a new style of government and the setting up of an administrative court could go some way to dealing with these problems. But Sir Peter Raw-linson (September 13) not a little wide of the mark in suggesting that it would be frivolous to seek to reform the House of Lords unless members of the House of Commence members of the House of Commons were willing to subject themselves to partial annihilation? For whilst rejecting a unicameral system he limits any useful consideration of reform of the House of Lords as being exclusively dependent upon an event which is not likely to happen. In the result the case of the abolitionist would remain unanswered, and the introduction of reforms to strengthen a bicameral

system would be irrelevant. Surely one must assume that the House of Commons will cominue much as at present constituted when considering reform of the House of Lords? Such, it is suggested, is the context in which ways and means should be sought to satisfy the two great needs.

am, Sir, Your obedient servant, ALAN CAMPBELL, Chairman, Constitutional Reform Committee, Secretary of Conservative Lawyers, Temple, EC4.

Made victim of strikes

From Mr D. I. E. Longridge Sir, As we settled into our aircraft at Frankfurt airport this morning. the news that our arrival at Heath-row would be delayed only 25 minutes by the air traffic control strike was received with relief. Particularly after being offered bread to take back by my German.

Then the captain announced that there was also a baggage unloading problem and that if the crew unloaded "the whole airport would " probably come out". So he asked the German and British husinessmen on board for six volunteers to unload the plane on arrival. I am a senior executive of a major US multinational corporation. I am British. I have had enough. Yours faithfully,

D. J. E. LONGRIDGE, 74 Chelsea Park Gardens, SW3.

Determining ' fair wage ' From Mr A. J. Morgan Sir, Mr Frank Field of the Low Pay unit assumes it is the responsibility

of the employer to pay a "fair-wage" to his employees. He is right insofar as the wage should bear some resemblance to the value of the cutput,
If society decides that a fair wage

is insufficient to provide decent minimum living standards then it is up to society to make up the difference. The person who employs a hairdresser at £23.35 a week is presumably able to offer a cheap and officients. and efficient service to those who - desire to have their hair dressed. Why pay more? Yours faithfully,

A. J. MORGAN, 99 Albert Bridge Road, SW11.

The drink with haggis From Mrs Pamela Vandyke Price

Sir, While I have been abroad it seems that "the haggis have been flying low", to quote one of my friends at William Grant, who years ago introduced me to Standiast, Glenfiddich and Balvenie.

Indeed I am aware that, on its native heath, the haggis may be traditionally accompanied by Scotch. But in my article, suggesting red wines suitable for certain types of modest game and sausage dishes. I was thinking of those readers who may opt for the blood of the grape, perhaps for reasons o. economy, or because they are being cautious about drinking spirits for reasons of dier er driving, or simply because they and their guests like wine with their meals.

Being myself a devotee of haggis, black and white puddings, andouillettes, boudins of all colours, multipatterned salame and wurst of assorted seasonings, plus, of course, the noble banger, I would drink a red wine with these on most occasions. My experience of hargis has not included the very peopery type, as mentioned by one correspondents, but in Catalonia, where I have recently consumed numerous regional sausages, including the superb butifarra, the red wines of the Penedes region were quite robust enough to balance the

Yours truly. PAMELA VANDYKE PRICE. 8 Queens Gate, SW7.

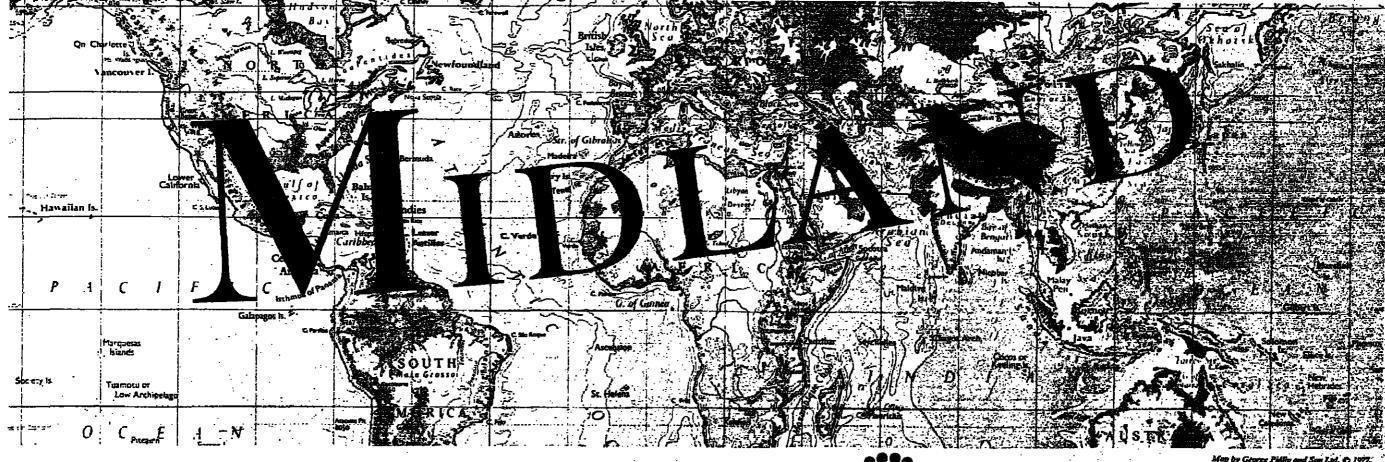
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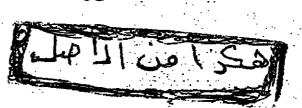
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the successful langing of the

Division at Taranto, He witakin primer at Arthur September, 1944, but escaped a April, 1945, joining the Americans who were then in Empire

He rejained the Territoria;

Army in February, 1947, and

was for a year Command at Officer of the 11th Bettalion

the Perschute Peniment. In October, 1951, he entered

Parliament for Horsham, hie

proyed an able and industrious

backbench member of the House of Commons. He was

always a staunch unity der of

the rights of ex-servicemen and

was a Vice-President of Lloy Is'

Branch of the British Legion

and a trustee of the Airhorne

Forces Security Fund. He tried

hard to induce successive gov-

ernments to give a fair deal to

ex-service pensioners. Agricul-

ture was a subject on which he also spoke with expert his w-ledge. When the Supr crisis

broke out he was a strong sup-

porce out he was a strong sup-porter of the Conservative Government's noticy in the Middle East. He was Pre-itient of the City of London Young Conservatives from 1934 to 1974 and of the Porcel Acro Chip from 1938 to 1932

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sity of Southernaton, a Frience of the City of London, and a

followed by Max Frisch and Rolf Hochhuth and a connel ation of English players of the fifties and single-Plater,

Arden. Mortimer, Leibert, Arden. Mortimer, Leibert, Shelagh Deleney, the Iritation Brendan Behan and the American Arthur Kopin. His largest undertaking was a definitive edition of Fortole Brecht in English, a task which was fan from competent.

was far from complete and which he was supervising in

retirement.
These were his special interests; but at the same time he master-minded for many years a large list of some one handless.

hundred or more titles a year, including such varied authors as Harold Acton, Honor Tracy, Christopher Isherwood, Jan Kott and Milovan Djilas and was the wister of Christopher.

the wisest of chairmen of a thriving Methuen Children's list, where one of his more

successful enterprises was the

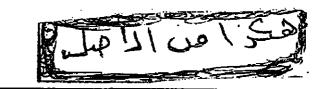
seller and presided enthusing tically over a list that counted the books of Thelwall. Jilly

Cooper and the Monty Python

authors became his friends; so did his rival publishers. They

member of the livery of Fishmoneers Company, Po

Club from 1978 to 1983.



Colonei Frederick Gough,

MC, TD, Conservative MP for

the Horsham Division of West Sussex from 1951 to 1954, died

on September 19 at the age of

Charles Frederick Howard

Gough was born at Kasauli.

India, on September 15, 1901, and was educated at Cheam School and the Royal Naval

Colleges at Osborne and Dark-mouth. From 1917 he served as a midshipman in HMS Ramillies and HMS Withering-ton until the end of the war. In 1920 he left the Navy and

went back to India to take up

farming and horsebreeding. But

he stayed for only two years,

returning to England to join a firm of Lloyd's Insurance

brokers, and became director of a number of companies and

He was keenly interested in the Territorial Army, and in 1924 joined the London Rifle Brigade. He served until 1929,

when he went on to the Terri-torial Army Reserve of Officers. With the Second World War threatening, he rejoined the London Rifle Brigade in April, 1939. He volunteered to take part in the lighting in Finland

airborne forces, serving from the inception of the First Air-

borne Division as commander of its reconneisance unit. He

The sudden death of John

Cullen from heart failure comes

as a fearful shock to his family and many friends. He had only recently retired at the age of

sixty-seven from the chairman ship of Eyre Methuan and was happily looking forward to a new life in his cottage at Ares

in the Gironde, the home of his wife Micheline's family.

The son of a Methodist mini-

The son of a Methodist minister, he was born in the Sherlands in 1909, the eldest of three clever brothers (his brother Gordon has recently been awarded the Golden Medal of the AIA). After Kingswood School he was a scholar at Pembroke College, Cambridge. Apart from the war years, when he served in the RAF, he had spent nearly all his

he had spent nearly all his working life as a publisher with Methuen, which he joined a

a denginus companion, with calm, sagacious, tolerant and discreet. Publishing was the breath of life to him. He was passionately interested in the

interest in contemporary French playwrights, resulting in the publication in English of

P. W. writes:

underwriting member of

an und Lloyd's.

COLONEL FREDERICK GOUGH

Former Conservative MP

OBITUARY



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KENSINGTON PALACE KENSINGTON PALACE
September 21: The Duke of Gloucester, as President, 22/5 marning presented the Pirse Price to the winner of the Institute of Advanced Motorists "Better Driving" Competition at the Dayon Showrooms, London, and during the evening opened the Kellogg National Exhibition of Children's Art at the Mail Gallery, London, SWI.
Ligutenant-Colonel Signon Stand Lieutenant-Colonel Simon Bland was in attendance.

THATCHED HOUSE LODGE THATCHED HOUSE LODGE
September 21: Prioress Alexandra, Deputy Colonel-in-Chief:
The Light Infantry, this aftermon visited the 5th Battalion at Barry Buddon Training Camp, Angus, Her Royal Highmess travelled in an aircraft of The Queen's Flight.
Miss Mona Mitchell was in avandance.

Birthdays today

Today's engagements

Marriages

Court, Worcester. The honeymoon will be spent touring in Scotland. Mr F. Nery and Miss C. C. Green

and Miss C. C. Green
The marriage took piace on September 17 at the Church of Our
Most Holy Redeemer. Cheyne
Row, between Mr Felipe Nery,
son of Mr and Mrs Guy Nery, of
26 FixGeorge Avenue, W14, and
Miss Caroline Green, daughter of
Mr Raymond Green, of Hatchards,
Corfe Castle, Dorset, and Mrs
Meyrick Beebee, of Womaston
House, Presteigne, Powys.

and Miss C. M. Arden

and Miss C. M. Arden
The marriage took place on Saturday. September 17, at the Church of St Nicholas, Cherington, Gloucestershire, between Mr John Craig Paterson and Miss Caroline Mary Arden. The Rev R. Gleed officiated.
The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, was attended by Miss Katherine Arden, Miss Samantha Tarlton and Miss Phyllida Tariton. Mr William Midwood was best man.

Luncheon

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HM Government Mr Rowlands, Minister of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs, was bost at a luncheon at Admiralty House yesterday in honour of the High Commissioner for Zambia. lance

Reception

Shipwrights' Company The Earl of Inchcape was host at a reception for the Shipwrights' Company in the House of Lords esterday. He was accompanied by the Countess of Inchcape. Liverymen with their ladies and guests mer the Prime Warden, Mr J. Gourlay Freeland, and Mrs Free-land, and Wardens.

Dinner

HM Government Lord Goronwy-Roberts, Minister of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs, was host at a dinner at the Royal Festival Hall yesterday in honour of Mr Boris Tsvetkov, Deputy Foreign Minister for Bulgaria. Among those present were:

Were: The Bulgarian Ambiasador, and Mmo Volcheva, M Lyuben Goisee, Mr and Volcheva, M Lyuben Goisee, Mr and Frederick Helizsford. Alexa

Service dinner Hood Term (1927-1931) RN College, Dartmouth

Fifteen members of the Hood Term (1927-1931) RN College, Dartmouth, dined together at the home of the Hon Alexander Hood barmount, dined together at the home of the Hon Alexander Hood on September 20, the fiftieth auni-versary of their joining the Royal Navy. Admiral Sir Guy Grantham and the Rev L. S. Sims-Williams

Christening :

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The infant son of Mr and Mrs Hugh Stafford Northcote was christened Charles Walter Hugh in the chapel at Bishton Hall. Stafford, on Sunday, September 18, by the Right Rev Joseph Cleary, Bishop of Cresima, 28818-ted by Rev Father Anthony Wil-The godparents arc Si Charles Wolseley, Mr Howard Sumner-Pergusson and Mrs Patrick

First sale of stamps fetches £113,395

The opening sale of the new philatelic season brought £113,395 at Harmar's, in Bond Street, on Tuesday and yesterday (our Stamp Correspondent writes). A feature was the competition for general collections valued up to £1,000 : they frequently doubled the esti-

Among single stamp lots, a 1913 Palestine 1 piastre deep blue on cover with a British Army Post Office cancellation made 2600 Office cancellation made 2500 (estimate £275) and ar 1845 Swiss 2½ rapped Basic Dove, used and with small faults, made £625 (estimate up to £300).

Fortheoming marriages

The Hon P. R. Lawson Johnston and Miss S. M. Andrews and Miss S. M. Andrews

The engagement is amounced between Philip Richard, youngest son of Lord and Lady Luke, of Odell Castle, Bedford, and Saskia Moyne, eldest daughter of Mr. I. G. Andrews and the late Mrs. G. R. Andrews, and stepdaughter of Mrs. T. G. Andrews, of The Old Rectury flat, Lecklord, near Stockbridge, Hampshire. bridge, Hampshire.

Mr D. J. Arnold and Miss M. E. Brown

The engagement is announced between David John, son of Mr and Mrs A. E. Arneld, of Chyelacum, Ipowica, Soffolk, and Megan Eulem, danghter of Prefessor and Mrt E. H. Brown, of Cestic Hill, Borkhamsted, Rectionships

Mr C. J. P. Bearley and Mile C. M. E. Diffemann The engagement is announced between Christopher, only on of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Bearley, of Essibourne, Subsex, and Christine, eldest daughter of M and Mme Patrick Dillemann, of Neullly sur Scine, France.

Don J. F. Cogollos Santamans and Miss C. Latham-Koenig

Mrs fleene Beatrice Blake Lawrence, of Bexhill, Surrey, left
£87,501 net. After specific bequests
totalling £2,950 she left the residueequally among the Mission to Seamen, RNLI, St Joseph's Hospica,
Hackney, Imperial Cancer
Research Fund, King George's
Fund for Sailors, Royal Hospital
and Home for Incurables, Putney,
and Greater London Fund for the
Blind. Blind.

Other estates include (net, before tax paid : tax not disclosed) : Forte, Mr Vincent, of Branksome Park, company director £140,186 Gilfillan, Mr Philip Robert, of Robert, of 1976 (ERO Association, 19 Gros. £135,982 venor Place, London, SW1, 60p).

More of Hampton Court Palace to be opened More of Hampton Court Palace is to be opened to the public than ever before since Cardinal

than ever before since Cardinal Wolsey piled his red-brick readence beside the Thames and kept open house there.

The principal reason is that the grace and favour apartments eregradually falling out of use. Since George III abandoned Hampton

Court as a residence, up to a thousand rooms have been granted by grace and favour (gracinus fuvour; one of the few true examples of hendladys in English) examples of hendiadys in English in the Sovereign to the widows, or children, of distinguished servants of the Crowd. William IV described the system, in a phrase of royal ungrace and distayour, as "the quality pourhouse".

The grace and favour apartments are vast and expensive to heat and furnish. Only 17 elderly lemants remain in them, a dwinding band. And the concept of grace and favour has become an anactronism in our egalitarian age.

age.
Whole ranges of the palace are therefore failing vacant. Lady

Birk, Under-Secretary of State for the Environment, had the imagina-live idea that the apartments might be converted into grand loadings for visitors of state, as Wolsey used them to empress amba-sadors and their retinues of several hundred at a time. That proved two expensive and impracticable.

several hundred at a time. That proved two expensive and impracticable.

Mr Harold Vexley, senior architect of the Ancient Monoments and Historic Buildings Directorate of the department, has accordingly drawn up a plan to restore large ranges of the palace and bring them into public use over the next 25 years. His plans have been approved by the Queen.

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The lodgings around Base Court, the first courtyard, formerly grace and favour approximant, are being turned to they full cuppy into audion for craftsmen working on objects connected with historic buildings. The Texule Conservation Centre has already moved in.

Consultations are going on with Buckingham Palace about making room for a leather conservation centre and the Embroiderer' Guild. A condition is that the

£4,200 paid

A very rare specimen of the extinct great auk was sold for £4,200 at Sotheby's Belgravia yesterday. It was sent for sale by Durham University. which had

Durham Umversity, which had owned it since about 1834, and was bought by Mr Michael Pil-kington, owner of a London shop.

The sale of various collectors' items, including scientific instruments, apothecarles' equipment and musical boxes, totalled £50,673.

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Other top prices were for must-cal boxes, including £5,000 for a Swiss Langdorff and Fils flute basse voix céleste interchangeable cylinder musical box in an chonized case on a matching storage table made about 1850. A midmeteenth-century Swiss keywound overture cylinder musical box fetched £1,000 and a late nineteenth-century German polyphon disc, coin-operated musical

phon disc, coin-operated musical box went for £950.

Leading American scientists working, on the brain have shown for the first time that it is possible to identify in photographs brain cells with different physiological functions. Ordinarily, it is impossible to tell simply by looking which brain cells do what. But Dr David Hubel, Dr Torsten Wiesel and Dr Michael Stryker, at the Harvard Medical School, have used a staining technique recently discovered by an American neurobiologist Dr L. Sokoloff, to pick out the cells in a monkey's brain that are active in one special set of circumstances.

comstances.

The technique stains selectively those cells in the brain that are most active, and depends on the fact that active cells take up the chemical deoxyglucose. Dr Sokoloff discovered that if he injected deoxyglucose with a radioactive label into animals' brains he could identify the active cells by the increase in the amount of radioactive label they contained. The labelling can be made to show up as the darkening of a photographic film, and the pattern of labelling corresponds to the pattern of active brain cells.

Dr Sokoloff first used the

great auk

for a

mistory, and undertake work on national historic buildings In the south-east corner of Base In the south-east corner of Base Court, on the ground floor, a former grace and favour apartment is being converted into a new ticket office, shop and exhibition centre showing the history of the palace. It should be ready by next spring. The work has just measured some of the oldest

uncovered some of the oldest examt wallpaper: Inder paper with a Carter design. Above the exhibition course an Above the exhibition centre an arr-conditioned gallery is being made to display pictures from the royal collection painted on wooden panels. It should be finished by next autumn. The work is uncovering a remarkable selection of executer the exhibit in eventeenth century graffit, in-cluding drawlags of contemporary gons, and a heart pierced by an

domestic rooms. By next Easter they should be ready to display pictures from the royal collection, and the lifestyle of kings when they laid aside their crowns. Another large range of grace Another large range of grace and favour apartments to the east of Chapel Court is being converted into galleries to display the reserve collection of the Queen's pictures. George II's daughters used to live there.

used to live there.

Other plans include: restoranon of Cardinal Wolcey's splendid
latchens adjacent to the King's
kitchen; restoration and reuse of
the buttery by the Great Hall;
and restoration and opening of
those of the Oneen's state aparaments around Fountain Court that
are at present empty, and closed.

Private ladatates still peeded

Private ludgings still needed will be concentrated on the upper fluors around Fountain Court and The King's private apartments below stairs, around the may court called Chounlate, are being restored and furnished. William III and the first two Georges and Henry VIII gloried, and apartments to carry on their william III and the Georges private lives in these charmingly

Community writes its own poetry

By Peter Godfrey

The first national anthology of poetry and prose by community writing groups is to be published in the apring with the help of a \$2,000 gram from the Arts

Selections are being made more for their directness and power of ecocation than conventional, theme is the hardship of manual work:

I make that Airborne Fishmoneer's Convention Plants in 1943, and in the initial invasion of litaly he was awarded the Military Cross in connexion and one daughter.

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I was norn to be a loser beneath the minus sign And was doomed to be a welder in the shippards of the Tyne.

writer goes on to describe.

The memoirs of a Brighton woman recall some turn-of-the-century entertainments before the advent of the picture palace: "As I grew older I remember the Russian bear that toured the town and was made to dance on its hind legs. I always felt sorry for this animal as it walked along with a strap around its mouth. Then there was the German hand that always seemed to be playing out of tune and at which the dogs howled."

Ar Sotheby's Bond Street a sale of Old Master paintings realized £45.950. A pair of landscapes, one of a coast scene, the other showing peasants fording a stream, both by a follower of Berchem, were sold for £2,500. A Spanish dealer acquired a "Portrait of Perdinand VII of Spain" by an artist of the Spanish school, lare eighteenth century, for £1,206. A pair of paintings of Venice, one a view of the entrance to the Grand Caual, the other showing the Rialto Bridge from the north, attributed to a follower of Marieschi, ferched £1,200.

A Phillips sale of the contents

In their faces they cannot hide, My colour they cannot abide. to the optimism and elation of a member of Stepney Basement

Marieschi, ferched \$1,200.

A Phillips sale of the contents of East Barsham Manor, Norfolk, a house dating from the time of Henry VIII, totalled £102,247.

Conrad paid £4,200 for a Queen Anne red lacquered cabinet on stand decorated with chinoiserie. Weston paid \$4,000 for an early seventeenth-century oak refectory table A seventeenth-century oak refectory. Compilation of the anthology is being coordinated at Centreprise, a community publishing group in Hackney, London, which opened six years ago as a bookshon, the only one in a berough of 200,000 people. It extended its coffee bar and exhibition from fadilities to take in publishing after two local teachers, discatisfied with available teaching material, had submitted a manuscript for their own children's reader. table. A seventeenth-century oak four-poster bed went to Billis for 53,000. 23,000.
At Phillips, in London, a sale of Chinese and Japanese ceramics and works of art routled 595,040. Wilson paid 25,000 for a fine black lacquered cabinet on stand. A Canton familic rose armorial dinner service of 46 pieces went to Bohan for 54,100.

Undertones of self-pity are eclipsed by the endurance of oppressive conditions which the writer goes on to describe.

Writers:

Writers: But love is more than metaphor; It's a sledgehammer to break down doors.

and then moved a pattern of tertical bars across its eyes for 45 minutes. The label once again showed up as a pattern of dark stripes, repeating at a slightly different interval from those found by Dr Sokoloff.

Now that they can make both sets of columns visible, Dr Hubel

sets of columns visible, Dr Hubel and his colleagues have been able to look at the relationship between them. It should also be possible for them to use the new technique to investigate how early experience may change the characteristic activity of brain cells. That has been the focus of considerable controversy, which has so far not been resolved by physiological research, partly because it samples activity in only relatively few neurones and can easily present a biased picture.

So far, the technique can be

biased picture.

So far, the technique can be applied only where, as in the visual area of the brain there is already a good physiological understanding of what the brain cells are doing. In the future it may be possible to extend it to the investigation of how brain cells undertaking more complex functions are organized.

By Nature-Times News Service.

Source: Nature, September 22

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functions are organized.

(269, 328; 1977).

and prose

part in the fighting in Finland against Russia, and was a member of the famous 5th Battalion of the Scots Guards, formed for skiing duties in Finland. He was soon afterwards at GHQ in France, and went through the evacuation of Dun'irk. He was mentioned in dispatches and was successful in getting hack to this country on June 1, 1940. He became one of the original members of the British airborne forces, serving from

Council.

Members of 12 local publishing and literary groups meet in Manchester next menth for an appropriately communal editorial conpriately communal editorial con-ference on the book, which will comprise contributions of about 20 pages from each. The writing, ranging from poems about being straigly deprived or outcast to nostalgic remunicences of child-hood, gives the opportunity of self-expression to authors who might otherwise tail to find an outlook in nubbe tree.

Many of the groups have gathered local biographies as a historical and social record of their area, possibly the most authentic available. Others give encouragement to young local authenic syllader. Others goest encouragement to young local writers, whose work is charac-terized by emotional candour, from the anger of a West Indian teen-ager in Southall:

HUGO TYERMAN

few years after me, when we publication of the Tintin books, were both still in our twenties, fruit of his French connexions.

and in him I have lost my oldest Although his personal tastes colleague and dearest friend; were unashamedly highbrow, a delightful companion, witty, he had a keen eye for the best

drama and his time in Paris at gang amongst its successes.

the end of the war aroused his He was a lovable man. His

the publication in English of will all miss i'm sadly, in Giraudoux and Anouilh; to be England, France and America.

was the doyen of Fleet Street Educational Journalists. Born in 1880, the only son of Nelson Rich Tyerman, a Victorian poet of some distinction, he was educated at Bedford School at which his father taught.

Hugo was named after Victor Hugo with whom his father regularly corresponded while making some of the first translations into English of the great Frenchman's sonners. As an Old Bedfordian H.N.T. took a very active interest in the Holborn Boys Club and served on the house committee from its inception. He commenced his journalistic career in 1898 with Sir Isaac Pitman and Son and moved on from there to Cassels.
In the early 1900s he joined the Harmsworth group later to become The Amalgamated Press and commenced his lifelong association with Arthur Mee. He played a great part in the production of the successful My

Hugo Tyerman who died at Magazine and was Art Editor The Press Fund Home. Sandy Cross, Dorking, on September 7 a publication which he was later a publication which he was later to revise and update. The year 1919 saw the first edition of the Children's Newspaper, the first weekly newspaper of its kind. In the years to come H.N.T. wrote much of the material for production and on the death of Arthur Mee in 1943 succeeded to the editorship in which capacity he remained until his re-tirement in 1952 at the age

> The year 1940 saw the publication of the first of Arthur Mee's highly successful county series The Kings England and Hugo Tyerman was entrusted with the extensive research into and writing up of Essex which was the first to appear. was the first to appear. The series was incomplete when Arthur Mee died and H.N.T. finished the remaining few counties. Hugo Tyerman was elected a Fellow of the Institute of Journalists in 1952.
>
> He is survived by three sons, two daughters and a sister.

MR F. L. BROWN

to 1969.

GI writes:

His many friends in the ormer Colonial Service and former later HM Overseas Civil Service will bave beard with sorrow of will have neard with sorrow of the death on September 11 of Frank Leslie Brown, CMG, OBE, MC, at the age of 80. He retired from the Overseas Service in 1951, his last post being the Chief Secretaryship of Nyasaland. In 1915 he gained a sizarship at St John's College, Cambridge

but he did not avail himself of it: instead he joined the King's Royal Rifle Corps in which he served until his demobilization in 1919. He was awarded the Military Cross and Bar and was also mentioned in despatches. After his demobilization he declined his right to take his place at St John's College and went out to Northern Rhodesia

as a probationer in the district administration of the protectorate, then administered for the Crown by the British South Africa Company,

He served as native commis-sioner, district commissioner and was for some years an assistant secretary in the headquarters of the government at Livingstone. In 1935 he was

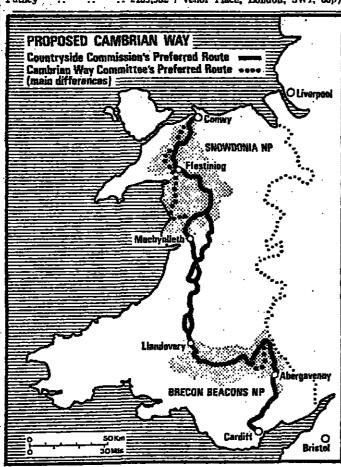
The Dowager Lady Newton, widow of Sir Harry K. Newton, the second baronet, died on September 18. She was the daughter of Mr W. W. Grant-ham, KC, and married in 1920. transferred to Jamaica as Assistant Colonial Secretary and in 1942 was promoted to Deputy Colonial Secretary. In 1945 he went to Nyasaland as Chief Secretary to the Govern-ment and remained there until his retirement from the service in 1951. On several occasions he acted as the Governor of the protectorate. His service in Northern Rhodesia was recognized by his appointment as OBE and in Jamaica as CMG. After he retired from the overseas service he became a director in London of the Trans-Zambesia Railway Co which operated a line running from Beira in Mozambique to the Nyasaland border. He served as vicar's church-warden at All Saints Church. Hearbfield, Sussex from 1954

Always a devout Christian, he became involved in a number of projects in the Anglican diocese of Chichester. His friends will remember with affection his kindness and generosity, his dry humour and toral dedication to duty.

He is survived by his widow, Edith, whom he married in 1927 and one son and one dauchter. The Ven Christopher Owen

George, rector of Sproughron and Archdeacon of Suffolk, 1947-62 and Archdeacon Emeri-tus of Edmundsbury and Ipswich since 1962, died on September 8. He was 85.





Fresh plans for 260-mile Cambrian Way footpath

By a Staff Reporter By a Staff Reporter

Fresh proposals for a 260-mile

Cambrian Way footpath from Cardiff to Conwy have been sent by
the Countryside Commission to all
Welsh local authorities through
whose areas the route would pass.

An independent Cambrian Way
committee put up a route some
years ago but that now proposed
by the commission varies from it by the commission varies from it because parts of the previously suggested line were considered by the commission to be too dangerous for ordinary walkers in all weathers.

The new proposed route begins

The new proposed route begins in the grounds of Cardiff Castle, passes through Abergavenny and the Black Mountains and then goes west of the perimeter of the Bre-con Beacons National Park and on north through the Cambrian

25 years ago From The Times of Monday, Sept 22, 1952

From Our Own Correspondent From Our Own Correspondent
Singapore, Sept 21.—The British
Red Cross Society in Malaya has
been informed by communist
terrorists that English volunteer
nurses working in rural areas will
not be attacked. The information
was received from a terrorist who
appeared to be an authorized person, and it has since been repeated
in communist news sheets. Nurses
travel from village to village without escort in cream-painted Land
Rovers displaying red crosses and

Monntains. Alternative routes would then take walkers either along the lower slopes of Cader Idris by way of Machynlleth or through Dylife and Comins Coch. Those two routes would converge at Diggs Mawddy and go on to Ffestiniog and Llyn Ogwen, through parts of Snowdonia (avoiding the dangerous heights of Snowdon itself), then detour the Carneddau range and go on to Conwy.

The commission's preferred route would take walkers over high passes rather than high peaks. Factors taken into account in its planning included public safety, agriculture and conservation, wear and tear on enduting forenating and and tear or existing footpaths and maximum use of public rights of

the terrorist spokesman asked that larger crosses be painted to avoid indiscriminate sniping. The Malayan police are not impressed by these assurances which are regarded as propaganda. It is said that similar guarantees have been made in the past and not observed, Meanwhile volunteer teams will not a pour Malaya unarmed and made in the past and not observed.
Meanwhile volunteer teams will
move about Malaya unarmed and
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side roads normally avoided whenever possible. In each team there
is a nurse and a welfare worker
who, after receiving a short
course of instruction in spoken
Malay, are sent off to live among.
Chinese squatters and Malay kampong folk. Many live in the new
resettlement villages.

"Is it too much to hope that the Government might, even now, review this inane decision, and the DHSS might be made respon-sible for providing community facilities for sick people?" he

social workers should set up self-help schemes, such as those sponsored by the foundation. A scheme in which educational methods normally applied to handicapped children were used on confused old people will be described at the conference.

The patients, all suffering from

active brain cells. Dr Sokoloff first used the rechnique to show the pattern of eye-brain connexions. Each eye controls alternating columns of the brain. By injecting an animal's brain with labelled deoxyglucose and then completely covering one has been impossible to produce anatomical evidence for crientation columns. That, however, is what Dr Hubel and his collaborators have now done, using Dr Sokoloff's technique. They injected a monkey Facilities for the mentally ill 'lacking'

Science report

Neurobiology: Stripes in the brain

brain.
What Dr Rubel and his colleagues have done is much subtler. Their experiment hinges on his earlier research with Dr Wiesel, which is now considered one of the most important their vectors in herita was and his

on his earlier research with Dr Wiesel, which is now considered one of the most important advances in brain research this century. They found that the brain cells of the visual area of the brain are "tuned" so that they are activated selectively by bars at different orientations. Some cells are activated most strongly by vernical bars, some by horizontal bars, and so on.

On purely physiological evidence, obtained by making electrical recordings from single brain cells, Dr Wlessel and Dr Hubel have concluded that the orientation preference of the visual cells changes in a regular way across the brain. Just as there are alternating columns of cells activated by each eye, there is a regular cycle of columns activated by bars of each orientation. But while the alternating control of the two eyes over the brain cells can be confirmed by known anatomical techniques, it has hitherto been impossible to produce anatomical evidence for

eye Dr Sokolott found he could with radiolabelled deoxyglucose nuke the columns conrolled by the open eye visible as dark stripes in sections cut from the animal's minutes. The label once again

By Annabel Ferriman By Annabel Ferriman
Community (acilities for the
mentally ill scarcely exist in many
parts of Britain despite a general
belief that the number of inpatients should be reduced, according to Professor David Goldberg.
Local authorities, he helicoes,
have done little to introduce halfway houses, hostels and longings
because of competing claims for
meagre funds. meagre funds.
Professor Goldberg, professor of psychiatry at Manchester Uni-

versity, thinks the answer is for the Department of Health and the Department of Health and Social Services to assume financial responsibility for the mentally ill. He will outline that behef at a conference of the Mental Health Foundation at Magdalen College, Oxford, this weekend.

The foundation, which provides nearly £100,000 a year to sponsor new ways of preventing mental disorders or improving methods of tare, is bringing together 4 wide range of policy-makers, psychia-

trists and mental health workers.
Professor Goldberg will tell the
conference that blame for the lack
of community facilities lies with
the Royal Commission on the Law
Relating to Mental Illness. It
recommended in 1957 that community services should be paid for from the rates.

Mrs Molly Meacher, project organizer for the fundation, said

organizer for the toutuation, and yesterday, at a meeting to announce the conference, that the development of community services had not kept pace with research developments. Patients could now be sent home because new drugs kept their Complaints under coercial but then precland. under control, but then received too little community care. It was important, she said, that

Mr Frank Parker, former head of a residential school for handicapped children, conducted an experiment on eight patients at Carton Hayes Hospital, Leicester-

sentitiv and dementa, were taken off drugs and routine tolleding and were encouraged to dress and feed the encouraged to dress and and were encouraged to dress and feed themselves. Nurses were asked to talk with them, instead of at them, and to help them to increase their awareness.

Mr Parker concluded from his experiment that an educational approach was as effective for those whose minds were decaying as it was for those whose minds were developing. Her husband died in 1951. minds were developing.

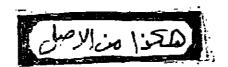
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World's top monetary official decides to give up post for family reasons

MPs attack lack of control over NEB and state oil corporation

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In its latest report the all-party committee of MPs, which party committee or sirs, which acts as: Parliament's watchdog on public spending sharply criticized the present arrangements for ensure than is justified by the ments and machinery for ensure than is justified by the ments and machinery for ensure the importance of the board's operaing that Parliament was kept fully informed of how the two organizations were spending

ively in recent years.

He said that a full parliamentary debate on the whole question of control over public expenditure and the role of cash limits in particular—was long overdue.

The committee's report noted that no parliamentary approval was required for even major. financial transactions by the NEB except in those cases where the board acted under the direction of the Secretary of State for Industry in pro-viding sums of more than 15m under section 8 of the Industry

Act.
The 1975 Act which established the NEB and its guidelines for operation had been debated and both the Department of Industry and the board considered that any further desailed and closer accounts.

been stated, could adversely affect the NEB's ability to help

The report commented: "In the case of the NEB we do not British National Oil Corporarion—both: of which are involved in substantial financial
ransactions.— Came under
strong attack yesterday from
the Public Accounts Committee.

In its latest report the ailnarty committee of MPs, which

Le continued to Parliament for
the public funds which it
spends."

It continued: "We consider importance of the board's operaments and machinery for ensuring that Parliament was kept fully informed of how the two organizations were spending their money.

Mr Edward du Cann, chairman of the committee, told a press conference that the arrangements covering the accountability of both the NEB and the BNOC were typical of the way in which parliamentary control had slipped progress. Importance of the board's operations and the very large sums further consider that our examination of the board's activities would be greatly facilities would be greatly facilities access to the books and records of the board's operations and the very large sums further consider that our examination of the board's operations and the very large sums further consider that our examination of the board's activities would be greatly facilities that the arrangements continued to public money it spends. We further consider that our examination of the board's activities would be greatly facilities to be books and records of the board's operations and the very large sums further consider that our examination of the board's activities would be greatly facilities to be books and records of the board's activities would be greatly facilities.

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Mr du Cann's committee also looked at the senpe for public surveillance of the PNOC's financial architecture and pasted.

financial activities and noted that the corporation's own accounts were audited by com-mercial accountents appointed by the Secretary of State for

But the Comptroller and Auditor-General had made arrangements for access to the BNOC's records relating to agency transactions that the comparation might undertake corporation might undertake for government departments and to transactions concerning the National Oil Account.

unusual statutory provisions for BNOC's finances were framed

mittee in other parts of the public sector.

Leyland aid warning by all-party watchdog

Correspondent

Further funds for British Leyland should be made conditional on increased cooperation and improved productivity from Public Accounts Committee said yesterday.

Its recommendation was made in the committee's latest report, which examined in detail the activities of the National Enter-

prise Board and, in particular, its relations with Leyland.

The warning came only a day after Mr. Leslie Murphy, chairman of the NEB, made it clear that if Leyland coud not raise its that of the record of the resided. its share of the money needed for investment, the board would

said that it noted the public interest in the rescue and continued development of the company and the strong case for continuing to provide further public funds—so long as the essential cooperation of the workforce and consequent improvements in productivity and production could be assured to match internationally competitive levels.

It recommended that further public funds shoud be released only after firm evidence that the company was achieving and sustaining such levels of performance. It added: "We further consider that whatever form any further assistance to the company may take, Parlia-ment's prior approval should be sought."

£860,000 aid to workers' cooperative is criticized

MEDIA

Correspondent
Major doubts are voiced in the latest report of the Public Accounts Committee over an £850,000 grant this year to the Kirkby workers cooperative launched with £3.9m of public

money in 1975. The committee expresses concern at the absence of evidence that the £860,000 allotted to the Merseyside cooperative—the Kirkby Manufacturing and Engineering Company—would save it in the long term. It says it recognizes the special employment difficulties

CIMES SHARE INBO of the area and the human and social problems involved and and redundancy payments for some time if jobs can be kept

concerned about some implica-tions of this further assistance to the Kirkby co-operative", the report adds. There were clearly major doubts whether the co-operative could become profitable within any reusonable time and there was no assurance that the latest £860,000 would more than tide it over its financial difficulties

for a short time.
"Temporary support for an unlikely to achieve viability on social problems involved and appreciates there are likely to be savings in unemployment the report says.

The committee noted that the

Dr Witteveen: Delayed announcement

Bonn sets conditions for

increasing IMF quotas

until completion of credit plan.

From Peter Norman Bonn, Sept 21 The West German govern-ment tonight made clear that it

ment tonight made clear that it will support an increase in International Monctary Fund quotas only on condition that it does not lead to a potentially inflationary expansion in international liquidity.

Dr Hens Apel, the West German finance minister, said that Germany would accept a 50 per cent increase in fund quotas, if the first unconditional tranche of IMF lending were raised by a small amount of perhaps, 20 to 25 per cent. The greater part of the quota increase would be distributed between the second, third and

By Desmond Quigley Underground operations at Rossing, the controversial uran-ium mine in Namibia in which Rio Tinto-Zinc has a 46 per cent interest, have been halted because of the erratic nature of the ore body. Mining continues however in the open pit

The abandonment of the underground operations for the time being comes after the major shareholders in the mine, who also include the Industrial Development Corporation of South Africa and General Mining, subscribed for a \$75m

section which contains the

The mine is now running at about 75 per cent of capacity, although the output of U308 is certain to be a significantly lower proportion of original

A major problem for the mine has been the coarse and abrasive nature of the ore, which has resulted in the malfunctioning of machinery in the leeching and thickening processes. New equipment is to be a second or the second or installed from early next year through to the autumu.

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On other pages

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Gold gained \$0.50 an ounce to \$151.125. Equifies saw fittle action.
Gift-edged securities were strong, especially at the long end.
Dollar premium: 90.75 per cent (effective rate 27.55 per cent).
Sterling gained 16 pts to \$1.7433.
The effective exchange rate index was end? SDR-5 was 1.16140 on Wednesday, while SDR-5 was 0.665705. Commodities: Coffee prices fell sharply. Reuter's Index was at 1501.2 (previous 1503.3). Reports, pages 22 and 23 was at 62.3.

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Washington, Sept 21

From Frank Vogi

Dr Johannes Wittereen announced today that he planned to leave his post as managing director of the inter-national Monetary Fund next year.

Dr Witteveen, who has played a leading role in restructuring the world's monetary see on and in ensuring that the IMF could aid the multitude of countries with serious balance of pay-ments problems, told the fund's executive board of directors that he would resign because of pressing personal

The managing director's current fiverear contract expires next August, but IMF officials stated that he would almost certainly have been offered a second five-year term had he sought it. There are a number of prominent European politicians and bankers likely to be seriously considered as his successor.

The IMF chief's four children are all

attending schools in Holland, and one of his sons is seriously ill He believes that his hectic schedule here and his constant travels on behalf of the IMF have not given him sufficient time to spend with his family and concern him-

son's illness, The decision is a purely personal one. Dr. Witteveen has timed it in such a way as to ensure that speculation concerning his views of the IMF is not associated with the move. He has delayed his announcement until after completing all arrangements for the establishment of special IMF supplementary credit facility with resources of about \$10,000m.

Speculation about his successor is bound to be widesproad in the next few days as the fund's annual meeting gets under way here. Dr Witteveen believes that the man who follows him should be both a trained economist and a former minister of finance. These are the credentials that he brought with him to Washington in late 1973, after a distinguished academic career and several years as Holland's minister of

Witteveen took over the management of the IMI when the world monevirtual chaos by the full establishment of floating among leading countries and by the quadrupling of oil prices. The IMF itself was having deep problems

US optimism on new credit facility

Congress would approve a con-tribution in January of \$1,700m to the newly created TMF pecial supplementary credit facility. It was therefore likely

this essential facility, with total resources of about \$10,000m

would become operational

take place between finance

ministers here in the next week,
Mr Solomon continued.
America hoped it would be
possible for governments to
undertake policies ensuring a
slightly higher level of real

economic growth in 1978 than

had been seen this year.

Important discussions would

early next year.

Dr Witteveen to step down as head of IMF self, in particular, with the emotional in winning respect from the chief indus-and other difficulties arising from his trial countries, especially from the United States.

He was nobody's first choice when informal negotiations took place in 1973 on finding a successor to Mr Pierre Paul Schweitzer, who had been forced to resign the IMF's directorship by the Nixon Administration.

The job was first offered to Dr Jelle Zijktra, the Dutch central bank governor, who formally declined the offer. Others considered were Mr Callaghan. Mr Roy Jenkins, Mr Conrad Oort, who was Trassurer-General in Holland, Dr Ormar Emminger, then Vice President of the West German Federal Bank, and Signor Rinaldo Ossola, then deputy head of Italy's central bank.

After months of discussions there remained only Dr Witteveen and Mr Oort as possibilities and the former got the offer, largely, it was said at the time, because of the strong backing of Dr Zijlstra and Dr Arthur Burns, the United States central bank chief.

Today it seems likely that both Mr Oort, who has taken a top Dutch banking job, and Signar Ossala, now an Italian government minister, are likely to be considered seriously as successors.

economic target rates of growth

for 1978. Some countries might

not be in a position yet to agree on such targets. He admitted there had been

little progress in recent months

towards agreeing on a new increase in IMR membership

quotas. Ideally, agreement should be reached by next

February; but this date had to be viewed as flexible.

The United States wanted to see an increase in IMF quotas,

Mr Solomon declared, but he did not believe an early agree-

ment could be achieved if con-

Mr Lever to study small firms problems

By Edward Townsend

Mr Lever, Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and the Cabiner's special economic advisor, is to make a study of the problems racing Britain's small businesses and recommend further ways in which they can be assisted by the Government.

Mr Lever's involvement in the issue follows a personal request from the Prime Minister. He is to be assisted by Mr Bob Cryer, the Parliamentary Under Secretary of State for Industry, who already has special responsibility for small husinesses.

A statement from Downing Street yesterday said that Mr Lever would draw together the work that had been going on in various Whitehall departments and examine the effec-tiveness of the steps the Government had taken over the past two years.

The study was "part of the Government's recognition of the value of small firms to the future of the country

Announcement of the study follows the disclosure on Thes-day by Sir Harold Wilson that the inquiry by his committee on the functioning of financial institutions had found the problems of small businesses had appeared more prominently than expected. Such com-punies were not "remote excrescences", be said, but accounted for about 30 per cent of employment.

The peculiar d'sficulties of the small business have also led the small firms council of the



Mr Lever: coordinating work

Confederation of British Industry to compile a special report and yesterday the London Chamber of Commerce and Industry said it planned to set up a small businesses group and expand its services in finance

One of the main areas of discussion at the group's first meeting on November 15 is to be the availability of finance which, says the chamber, is to form the basis of a regular summary of sources of finances starting in November.

The Downing Street state-ent added: "The Government added: "The. Govern-ment believes that small firms have a significant role to play in regenerating the industrial base so vital to the economy. Ministers regard the smaller businesses as an important source of innovation, enterprise industrial development which make a significant contribution to employment and output especially in inner

Mr Lever has been asked to begin his study immediately so that the Government can reach early conclusions on further desirable and practical."

considered that any further to maimain departmental condetailed and closer accounts bility would fundamentally change the intended relationship and the effectiveness of the board's role. Access to the Board's accounts by the Compiroller and Auditor-General, it had been stated, could adversely affect the NEB's ability to help af

section.
Meanwhile, RTZ has reported a 19 per cent increase in pretax profits to £146.1m. How ever, the increase was much less than City estimated, with the result that the shares were heavily marked down yesterday. At the close they were 20p off at 216p.

rights issue. The mine has been plagued the mine has been pigued by problems, both mechanical and human, and the capital cost of the whole operation has now reached about R250m (about £165m). The final cost is expected to reach R280m by the time all the mechanical rectifications have been made. The decision to abandon temporarily the underground operations has had a big effect on the profitability of operations. It is the underground actions which contains the section which contains the higher grade ore, and it had been intended to supplement the lower grade ore from the open pit with the underground output to produce a swift posi-tive cash flow.

Financial Editor, page 21 The Times index: 213.66-0.48

The FT index: 520.0-2.3

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appareet for at least another Barclaycard is unlikely to make any adjustment to its

interest rate for at least another month. Pre empted last week by Access, the rival credit card group, which lowered its interest charges a point to 1? per cent a month with effect from October 1, Barclaycard is now waiting to see how much business it loses as a result of the more than 3! per cent differential in the true annual rate of interest between the two credit card companies.

fourth tranches where the IMP

imposes economic policy condi-tions on borrowing countries. Dr Apel underlined that the

European Community had not

ver agreed about the quota, and gave the German stand-

point extra bite by warning that Bonn will raise the ques-

tion of restructuring IMF quotas if a large overall quota

increase is envisaged.
Although West Germany may

be standing firmly against what it sees as an unwarranted ex-

pansion of international liquidity, Dr Apel made clear that Bonn will support a sub-stantial rise in the capital of

With around a quarter of its card members also holders of Access cards, Barclaycard is in the more vulnerable position. But the extent of any shift in business will not become

In the meantime, Barclaycard

Economics Correspondent Washington, Sept 21

Recent fluctuations in the exchange rate of the pound do not indicate that the British

Government has violated the

International Monetary Fund's

guidelines for the management of floating currencies in the view of Mr Anthony Solomon, the United States under Secre-

tary of the Treasury for Mone-tary Affairs.

Mr Solomon said that major decisions would not be taken at the IMF's annual meeting

fund here next week or at the

meeting of the Fund's interim committee of finance ministers

on Saturday.

He told a press conference it appeared most likely that

is assessing the outlook for interest rates to see if there is scope for undercutting its rival by trimming a full ! point At the time Access lowered its rate, Barclaycard claimed

that to return to the 11 per cent level of two years earlier would plunge it into losses. Since then, however, mini mum lending rate has fallen by another I point to 6 per cent, giving the credit card sompanies another handsome boost to their profitability.

Barclaycard is also anxious to defer its adjustment because of the added costs that would be involved in making two changes in quick succession.

BOC wins fight to keep 35 pc stake in Airco

By Our Financial Staff
BOC International has finally
won the battle to keep possession of its 35 per cent stake in

Airco.

The United States Federal Trade Commission, which had until October 17 next to present a case in the Supreme Court for divestment, annunced vesterday that it no longer intended to pursue its claim that the stake presented

The actual case concerning shares in the other.

three small lines of medical equipment has still to be settled, but BOC said yesterday that the way was now clear for the two sides to drop their pre-vious inhibitions about technical cooperation.

The United Kingdom group stated, however, that the prospect of a bid for the rest of Airco was a long way down

claim that the stake prescuted a threat to potential entry to The two companies are the American industrial gases bound until July next year by an agreement not to bid or buy

Rockware Group By Brian Appleyard Rockware Group yesterday launched a £19.5m counter bid for the whole of Redfeara National Glass ahead of the and metal containers and the group would have only 17 per cent of this market. Mr Craigie added that the new group would be more efficient by eliminating dupli-

ment work

closure of the 300p per share cash partial bid from the American-owned Rheem International

on Friday.

Rockware, whose offer is bid, he said its success would being partially underwritten by Pilkington Brothers, is offering 13 new shares plus 57.66 cash for every eight Redfearn shares, which puts a value of 320p on the Redfearn shares at last night's closing price for Rock-

night's closing price for Rock-ware of 138p, up 2p on the day. In addition, Rockware is offering 75p cash for both types of Redfearn preference shares. However, Redfearn has already rejected the Rockware proposals. The package involves the issue of almost 9.9 million new Poelware shares and it pro-Rockware shares and it pro-vides a cash alternative. This has been arranged by Kleinwort Benson and involves the under-writing of the first 3.7 million new shares by Pilkington

new shares by Pilkington Brothers at 138p and the rest at 125p by Kleinwort.
Pilkington itself was widely tipped as the rival bidder for Redfearn and, if it was required to take up all the shares it has underwritten, it would increase its current 193 per cent stake in Rockware to 25 per cent.
The takeover would give the enlarged company 45 per cent of the United Kingdom glass container market but vesterday

container market but yesterday Mr Jim Craigie, the chairman of Rockware, said he did not think the Monopolies Commission would veto the deal. He pointed out that the industry really consisted of the whole spectrum of glass, plastic responded to the Rockware approach with another rejection. They say the bid was "unwelcome and unsolicited" and the terms are "totally inadequate " Rockware had already approached Redfearn on an inrmal basis and been rejected

British glass container groups were half American owned-

Redfearn and United Glass. But the Redfearn board has

before yesterday's announce-Meanwhile, Rheem's merchant bank adviser, Morgan Grenfell, said it was considering its next move. Mr Jim Risk, presi-

dent of Rheem, is currently in Greece, but he will be in Lon-don on Friday, the closing date of his bid.

Redfearn shares were up 20p to 300p yesterday and the Stock Exchange said it was look-ing into dealings in case an investigation was necessary after

the shares moved sharply ahead of the announcement. Rockware also yesterday announced pretax profits of 3 against £1.9m last year. Turn-over was up from £29.5m to £43.4m and the interim dividend is 3.02p gross against 2p last

Financial Editor, page 21 | measures.

Hope of 1 pc cut in home loan rate

In Brief

Money supply fears

depress Wall Street

Worries by investors about a possible new rise in the money

supply were behind Wall Street's biggest loss for nearly

two years yesterday. The Dow Jones industrial index fell sharply below the 850 level to

close 10.82 points down at

840.96 on trading in 22,200,000

shares. The last time it closed

lower was on December 22, 1975, when it finished at 838.63.

support of their demands for

Leyland strike talks

reparate negotiating rights.

Meetings of the 9,000 workers

who are on strike from British

Call to widen dispute

The Government yesterday reinforced the public's expec-tations of a further cut in the mortgage interest rate tomorrow by making it clear to the Building Societies Associa-tion that it was looking for an early reduction.

Government views were given at the regular monthly get together of building society men and officials from various ministries, including the Treasury and the Department of the Environment. The Joint Advisory Committee has a wide brief but yesterday the level of interest rates dominated the meeting. At the moment the building

society movement is predicting a fall in the mortgage sate from 10.5 per cent to either 9.75 per cent or 9.5 per cent. This would be accompanied by a drop in the investment rate to either 6 or 6.25 per cent.

W. H. Smith is third big retailer in CBI

W. H. Smith is to be the third major retail group to join the Confederation of British Industry. Marks & Spencer and Dixon Photographic are the The W. H. Smith decision was

made after a meeting yesterday

between Mr Peter Bennett,

chairman, and Mr John Meth-ven, CBI director general. W. H. Smith emphasized that Leyland's five bus and truck factories in Lancashire are expected to be held today.

However, there seems little the move would not mean any diminution of the support for prospect of an early settlement. There have been suggestions Best hopes now seem to rest on that the consorrium might be a meeting between senior

management. full-time union officials and shop stewards arranged for next Monday.

Ford men press claim losing the confidence of some First round in the pay nego-tiations covering 57,000 Ford workers in the United Kingdom of the biggest retailers but it gained support this week when the three biggest voluntary wholesaling groups, VG, Spar ended yesterday after union officials had reiterated their and Mace/Wavyline, joined it. claim for rises of at least 15 per cent. Company negotiators did not increase the offer of from 8.5 to 10.5 per cent, but promised to consider the union argument and reply at the next meeting on September 30.

> Co-op buries merger A special committee set up

by the Co-operative movement to establish ways of stream-lining its organization has been wound up, it was disclosed at yesterday's meeting of the movement's central executive committee. A referendum of retail societies earlier this year failed to produce the necessary Leaders of Leyland Cars
"rebel" molmakers have invited all the group's 14,000
craftsmen to join the strike they
have called for October 28 in majority for a plan for a new single Co-operative federation, taking in the Co-operative Union and the Co-operative Wholesale Society.

Turkey devalues

Turkey yesterday devalued the kra against a wide range of foreign currencies, reducing its value by 10.7 per cent against sterling and 10 per cent against the dollar. Some form of devaluation had been expected. as Turkey struggles to correct trade and payments deficits that have forced it to suspend payments for most imports.

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Mr Healey stresses

protectionist dangers

to Barbados meeting

From David Blake

Economics Correspondent

Bridgetown, Barbados, Sept 21

world prosperity from rising pressure in the industrial

industrial nations came today

from Mr Healey The Chancellor told the open-

ing session of a meeting of Commonwealth finance minis-ters here that the growing

trend to protectionism in the developed world was the "most dangerous threat" to the joint

progress of industrialized and

developing nations. Away from the "paralysis" of bigh infla-

Worries by the developing nations that their manufactured products will be kept out

of the markets of the west are likely to prove one of the two

The finance ministers are

likely to return to this issue

next week in Washington, where it is likely to broaden out to

cover the whole range of questions involving the attempts of the poorer nations to get what they consider to be a fairer deal from the

The developing countries are

also likely at next week's International Monetary Fund

meeting to express opposition to the Carter Administration's policy of tying aid to tests of

Today Mr Shridath Ramphal,

the Commonwealth secretary general, strongly criticized the lack of progress in building a "new international economic order", which had allowed many countries to face a year of

By Stephen Goodwin

If Hitachi is allowed to

establish a television assembly plant in Washington New Town,

co Durban, the company expects to stop importing sets within five years.

The Japanese electronics group is writing to the Depart-

ment of industry to confirm that for each set produced at

the new factory one less would be imported, irrespective of

size or value.

However, the number of sets

Hitachi intends to produce at Washington exceeds its present

Production is planned to rise

from 50,000 to 100,000 sets. The

total number of sets from all manufacturers in Japan should be only about 150,000 this year if the understanding of a 10

per cent share of the market is

Hitachi has already agreed to use 50 per cent home-produced components in the

first year, rising to 70 per cent

Yesterday a spokesman for Mr R. Mori, Hitachi's United Kingdom managing director, said the company hopes to

said the company hopes to end up with nearly 100 per cent British components. Hitachi feels it can meet all

topics at the two-day

A warning of the danger to

realize it was possible for the poor to gain without the richer nations being made to suffer.

One way in which it is hoped this could be done is through a

faster pace of expansion by the

strong countries in the West

Mr Healey is likely to press for this again in Washington next week with the full support of

The other main topic in the Commonwealth talks is the

whole question of the role of

the International Monetary Fund and other international

The British view,

approaches it.

Hitachi to cut imports

if UK plant is allowed

Britain

Kingdom's experience last year shows that the fund will be reasonable if a country

But the developing countries think the experience of Britain

and Italy proves that the fund

in getting Government approval

for the scheme is "political". The factory would provide up

to 500 jobs, an aspect of the scheme which has won Hitachi

the support of a group of North Eastern MPs.

been unremitting hostility from British set and component

makers who fear the loss of 6,000 jobs as a result of further

already manufacturing sets in

apanese expansion. Sony and Matsushita

On the other hand there has

softer treatment to

the developing nations.

for loans.

Istanbul, Sept 21 The Soviet Union claimed at here today to have made a average of around 30 per cent. major breakthrough in electricity generating technology. Mr Konstantine Lavrenenko, a member of the Soviet state board of science and technology said the USSR had a prototype power station running on the magnetic hydro-dynamic prin-ciple, and was drawing up designs for a full-scale commercial station that would be operating in the mid-1980s.

MHD replaces the conventional turbine generator equipment at a power station, and works by turning the generating fuel into very high temperature gas, which is passed through a magnetic field to produce electricity. The basic concept of MHD has been known for many years, and in the 1950s and 1960s considerable time and £4m was spent in Britain on an unsuccessful attempt to prove the commercial feasibility of such a

Mr Lavrenenko claimed that the 300 megawatt prototype built just outside Moscow in co-operation with a number of American companies was achiev-

Technology Correspondent

The European Commission in

Brussels intends to propose a Community-supported pro-

gramme for the development of advanced microelectronic

circuits in Europe. Firm pro-posals are due by the end of

This was disclosed in London yesterday by Mr Christopher

Layton, of the Commission's directorate of industrial and technological affairs. He was

EEC nations urged to

sion of 50 per cent, compared with the 40 per cent efficiency the world energy conference generator stations, and an

Electricity produced from the plant, which burns natural gas and low sulphur fuel oil, used 25 per cent less fuel, 75 per cent less cooling water, had cleaner exhaust gases and produced electricity that was 15 per cent cheaper than by conventional

The 500 MW plant for the mid 1980s would use coal as a generating fuel and would, because of its clean exhaust gases, be part of a combined heat and power system in industrial areas. Mr Lavrenenko, speaking at

a press conference, said there was a possibility that in the future the super heated gases from a high temperature from a high temperature nuclear reactor might be fed into an MHD generating system. American assistance on the prototype was given under a cooperative agreement with the Energy Research and Development Administration, and involved engineers from Avco, General Electric, Westinghouse, Rockwell International and Reynolds Metals.

ference that 10 large nuclear

ery seriously. Istanbul, Sept 21.-Oil prices are likely to soar uncontrollably after 1985 if alternative sources

was not sufficient avails Mr Michel Pecqueur, director

develop electronics quite expensive, with significant support from public funds".

Discussing the Commission's policy for the computing and related industries, Mr Layton emphasized that national public-sector procurement preferences within Europe would end in

> From that date, he said, under a directive already approved by the European Council of Ministers, public sector procurement in data processing would be opened up to international tendering by companies which manufactured in Europe.

addressing a computing conference organized by the Diebold The European collaboration envisaged in public sector pro-curement, Mr Layton said, " is not a protectionist trick, it is frighteningly liberal". It would include the development of common contractual and evaluation practices; the senerate pro-The United States held a lead in large-scale integration (LSI) circuits, he said, and Japan had already mounted a substantial programme to leapfrog the Americans into the next stage, that of very large-scale integration (VLSI). tion practices; the separate pro-curement of different parts of Because of the key role of systems; an exchange of informicroelectronics in many indus-tries and products, "we believe mation on European equipment; and, where all other in the Community there is a things were equal, a pro-Euro-need for a VLSI programme, pean preference.

English Electric agree payment of £350,000

the High Court yesterday to ordered—was a breach or pay £350,000 to the Mersey repudiation of the contract.

Insulation Company of Bootle.

The agreement ended a long-running court battle which began in June and had been before Mr Justice Gibson, was expected to last until Christ-

The Lancashire company had claimed more than £800,000 damages for alleged breach of contract. The dispute concerned the supply by English Electric of panels of reinforced plastic sheets suitable for insulating

containers in ocean-going ships. Mersey Insulation alleged that 380 sets of panels were supplied and found to be faulty. English Electric denied faulty. English Electric denied counter-claim was to be dis-the allegation, claiming that an missed and there would be no instruction by Mersey Insula order for costs on either the to stop supplying the claim or the counter-claim.

English Electric agreed in panels-700 sets had been adjourned on July 27 until the new law term in October, it was

about halfway through Mersey

Insulation's case.
Yesterday the judge, sitting as a High Court vacation judge, was told by Mr Gordon Langley, for Mersey Insulation, that the parties had come to terms.

One of the terms was that there should be judgment by consent for Mersey Insulation for £350,000. English Electric's

Eagle Star By John Huxley

Half-year figures Dividend

The Directors have declared an interim dividend for 1977 of 3.0p per share (1976 2.75p) which, with the addition of a tax credit of 1.5454p per share available to eligible shareholders, is equivalent to a gross dividend of 4.5454p per share (1976 4.2307p). An additional amount of 0.042p per share, with a tax credit of 0.0216p per share, will also be paid as a result of the reduction in the rate of tax credit from 35/65ths to 34/66ths applicable to the final dividend for 1976.

Estimated Half-Yearly Results

Premium income, excluding life, has increased by 25 per cent. Estimated and unaudited results for the six months ended 30th June 1977 together with comparable figures for the first half year of 1976 and those for the full year 1976 are shown below. Results at the half year cannot be taken as providing a reliable indication of those for the full year in the light of current economic and political uncertainties.

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	Estimated six months to Actual				
	30 <i>0</i>	i June	Year		
	1977	1976			
	£m	£m	£m		
Premium income					
(excluding life)	162.9	130.4	258.2		
Investment income	18.9	14.6	32.7		
Grovewood Securities	2.8	2.4	5.6		
Share of associated					
companies' profits	0.8	0.5	0.5		
Underwriting	(3.4)	(2.4)	(7.2)		
Shareholders' life profits	3.5	3,1	7.0		
•	22.6	18.2	38.6		
Less contributions to					
pension funds etc.	(3.1)	(2.4)	(5.7)		
	(CIX)				
Surplus before taxation	19.5	15.8	32.9		
and minority interests		17.0	32.7		

Eagle Star Insurance Co. Ltd.,



Branches/everywhere

l'Energie Atomique told the confuel reprocessing centres could meet world demand for recycling of spent fuels by the year 2000.

During a discussion on the control of the use of plutonium. he disputed any case for delaying recycling which he described as the salest way of handling spent nuclear fuel. Technical and safety aspects of reprocessing presented no insurmountable problems, although he admitted that the

question of proliferation of nuclear weapons as a result of reprocessing had to be taken

energy are not available of energy are not available, according to a report presented by the conference's conservation committee. "Crude oil reserves are running out", said the report. "The years 1985 to 1995 seemed critical. If the demand for petroleum continued at that time and if there of coal and nuclear electricity, there would probably be an oil shortage and oil prices are likely to rocket uncontrollably."—UPI.

Mr Denys Randolph: creation of wealth vital.

Plea to end wealth bashing'

By Malcolm Brown No new wealth would be created in Britain until there was a radical change in arti-tudes towards business, Mr Denys Randolph, chairman of the Institute of Directors, said yesterday.

"Why do governments bash it, civil servants ignore it, teachers argue against it, students shun it, unions milk it, until the whole population of the country holds it in such low esteem that those who are in it want to get out and those who are out do not want to come in?" said Mr Randolph, who was addressing business-men in Maidenhead, Berkshire. We had to be ments that the creation of was vital and they therefore had to establish a climate which helped its creation, he

said.
"This means removing many of the constraints which busi-ness has and then at the same time providing incentives for those who do most of the work", he said. "No one should be asked to work more than one day for the state and one day for himself."

Unemployment would be here to stay until we revived enterprise, said Mr Randolph.

6 pc increase in construction industry orders

Contractors received new orders worth £610m for construction work in Britain during July, according to Department of the Environment estimates. At seasonally-adjusted prices, total orders for the three months from May to July were b per cent higher than in the previous quarter, but 6 per cent lower than in the corresponding period last year.

period last year.

The figures suggest a continuing, slight improvement in the house building sector. In the public sector, orders from May to July were up 7 per cent on the previous three months, but still down 32 per cent on May to July, 1976. For the same periods, private orders were up 16 mer cent and down 8 per 16 per cent and down 8 per cent, respectively.

Public works new orders for May to July were down 2 per

Business appointments

Deputy heads

Savings Banks

Mr J. R. Archer and Mr P. F. Freens have been made deputy chairmen of the Trustee Savings Banks central board.

Mr Duncan McDonald, formerly chief executive of Reyrolle Parsons, has become group managing director of Northern Engineering Industries. Other executive members of the board are Mr R. Baker, Mr W. H. Bell, Mr M. H. Bower, Mr G. T. Coughtric and Mr R. Harrison. Non-executive members are Mr T. A. Ennis (United States), Mr J. V. Sheffield, Mr L. V. D. Tindale and Sir John Wrightson.

V. D. Tindale and Sir John Wrightson.
Mr Oliver Dawson has been made a director of the London Life Association.
Mr J. T. Davov is now deputy chairman of Wembley Stadium.
Mr R. T. Whitfield has been made chairman of Rolls-Royce & Associates in succession to Mr D. J. Pepper, vice-chiarman of Rolls-Royce Limited. Mr Whitfield continues as long term planning director of the parent company.
Dr John Blackhurn becomes chairman of Avon Heat Transfers.
Mr T. E. L. Goldsmith has become managing director of Lyons

for Trustee

Tokyo cuts man-made fibre output

Tokyo, Sept 21.—The Ministry of International Trade and Industry (MITI) said today it would order a cut in production for the man-made fibre industry from October 1 to December 31 December 31.

The production guidelines would cover 15 companies with 31 plants which produce nylon filament, polyester filament, polyester staple and acrylic staple. MITI will set production for the individual companies. for the individual companies.

Nylon filament output would be cut 4.9 per cent from the July-September levels to 23,700 tons a day, polyester filament by 5.1 per cent to 22,500 tons a day, polyester staple by 4.4 per cent to 24,500 tons a day and acrylic staple by 5.2 per cent to 27,200 tons a day.

Cuts were ordered because the companies could not agree

the companies could not agree among themselves to hold down production by means of an auti-recession cartel based on the anti-monopoly law. Mr Ichiro Jujiwara director

general of the Consumer Goods Industries Bureau at MITI, said such a cartel would have been more desirable.

the department's requirements over imports and that the delay **US Steel** dumping complaint

From Frank Vogl Washington, Sept 21

The United States Steel Company last night filed an anti-dumping complaint—the first of its kind—against Japanese steel manufacturers with the United tates customs service.

Further complaints may also be filed soon by United States Steel, or by other American steel manufacturers, against European steel producers, the company's representative in Washington said.

Washington said.
Japanese reaction: Mr Yoshihiro Inayama, chairman of
Nippon Steel Corporation and
president of the Japan Iron and
Steel Federation, said the only
way to deal with the problem
was to curb exports to the
United States voluntarily. This
should be carried our through
the Japan Iron and Steel Exporters' Association or under
government guidelines.

Steel output: Production of crude steel in the 29 countries represented in the International Iron and Steel Institute dropped 2.5 per cent in August

Japanese protest at EEC levy on ball bearings

Japanese ball bearing manufacturers have challenged the legality of a European Commission levy of a 15 per cent provisional anti-dumping duty on imports into the Community. The Commission claimed to have now reached a final conclusion about dumping and resultant injury to Community manufacturers.

Earlier this year, four Japanese bearing manufacturers signed an undertaking to raise prices by 20 per cent, after a request from the Commission because of concern expressed by Community manufacturers. In a statement yesterday one of the four Japanese companies, NTN Toyo Bearing, said that the Commission had still not given

any evidence that dumping was taking place by Japanese companies.

The four Japanese companies, said, had agreed to the

producers throughout the world found themselves and also to show goodwill It said that NTN's investigations had not supported the idea that dumping had been taking

It claimed that the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trude requirement permitting anti-dumping duties only where dumping and resultant injury had been proved had not been

NTN nevertheless would continue to satisfy any possible fears by abiding by the voluntary prices undertaking. Earlier this month European companies emphasized their concern over Japanese inroads and indicated they would urge the Commission to levy an anti-dumping duty of up to 35 per

cent. Japanese manufacturers' statements to the European Court of Justice have already been submitted but the lengthy hearing is unlikely much befor

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Astonishing trend towards false economy in UK export philosophy

commercial representation

cheaper imports to keep inflatof export policy and the community range of the cultural and diplo-tion down. And yet Western mercial community needs the matic spectrum will commercial Europe — with the possible personal contacts, accessibility limited exception of France— and immediate response for has shown a lamentable lack of will and purpose in its recent export strategy; a history of lost opportunities with no change in sight

credit institutions. Mr J. M. G. Three examples illustrate cur-Adams, Barbadian Prime Minisent British export philosophy : ter, launched into a strong attack on the attitude of these international bodies, accusing talse economies. (a) The proposed charges for them of failing to recognize the difficulties of small countries the export promotion services of the Department of Overseas when deciding on the conditions Trade may be irritant trivia, and will probably produce revenue below its cost of col-lection. The discouraging effect, This question of conditionality is likely to come back with however, is bound to be serious, as will be the intended cut-back in assisting participants in overseas trade fairs. What is needed can only be schieved by a more efficient involvement in the promotion of warthwhile serious commen. extra vehemence next week because the developing countries feel that once a country starts to borrow from the IMF above first practically uncondi-nal "tranche" it loses There is a feeling that the IMF does not take account of

cial effort.
(b) The dispersal policy the political and social prob-lems countries face when it is recommended in the Hardman Report will seriously affect the Export Credits Guarantee determining the conditions for Export Credits Guarantee Department, which is being seems not wholly to convince everyone is that the United

of worthwhile serious comme

What makes a secretary...

From Mrs P. Sanders Sir, Mr Duncan J. Woolard's letter to you about the launching of Spur by the British Institute of Management reveals an all-too-common misunder-standing of the function of a secretary. The terms "secre-tary" and "typist" are not synonymous; a secretary is someone of wide-ranging skills and considerable work experience, without whose assistance industry would grind to a complete halt. A typist is a technician, who may excel at one particular aspect of office work, but who does not aspire to the multiple abilities of a secretary.
Does Mr Woolard regard him-

self as fulfilling the same function as a technician engineer? PATRICIA SANDERS, 304 Pinner Road. North Harrow, Middlesex HA1 4LB,

From Mrs D. Hovell

Sir, Mr Woolard makes a valid-point in his letter (September 16). As a secretary of many Home loans and the tax man

Washington factory is in full production the only sets it will need to import are black and white, which are not made From Dr Peter B. Baker Sir, Perhaps Mr Morgan (September 20) does not have such a helpful building society as myself: I belong to the

Mr Mori's spokesman said that for Hitachi to continue importing would be unecono-

becomes operational we are prepared to replace our import We want to ponents as we can in order to compete with other Japanese in this country."

On Saturday MPs who have supported Hitachi will visit the Mullard tube factory at Dur-ham. Mullard is a subsidiary of Philips the Dutch-based multinational. my total interest paid. Merton Park,
This may be a costly business
for the societies to perform: September 20.

certainly for me filling in grant forms it is necessary information. In these days of rapidly changing interest rates it must be very difficult for the tax Britannia and each year after April 5 I write and ask for the offices to check returned forms. However, surely the societies total sum paid by me in interest over the past twelve

laid on the vital personal

back the clock and train more

boys to become secretaries?

Provided wages continue to be

good, employers should be able

DOROTHY HOVELL (MRS),

return and the application for It would be a great deal more my wife's current education use if this was sent on April 6 This year I was able to check much less work than individual my tax return against my tax preparation of figures, as is paid and received a refund of current practice.

229. I am not sure that I would Yours faithfully. have received this sum had I PETER B. BAKER, not (as an individual) asked for 6 Poplar Road,

From Mr G. A. Bower wested like an ordinary branch, nomy parkage and includes a Sir, A sound export policy of the Civil Service Arrange curback on other important remains a crucial item in the ments have already been functions. As shown in Mr Shareconomic armoury. It can in-initiated for a move, from Lon-man's penceptive letter on conduce a healthy increase in don to Cardiff.

sultancy (August 10) overseas employment. Wise use of its. In the course of years the representation is a complex. employment. Wise use of its. In the course of years the representation is a complex surplus can provide scope for ECGD has become the fulcrum matter and only within a wider range of the cultural and diplo-

interests find a natural and

and immediate response for fruitful place.
decision making within the day International International trade is a highly at times, within the hour, technical and difficult activity. This work supported by quick it depends on personal contacts interchange of information from and know how, it feeds on central whitehall and the City, is a turies of tradition and conductable and invisible exports. of services and service industrials and invisible exports. technical and difficult activity. of services and service indus-tries. To keep abreast with The relocation of the department in a computerized ivory modern techniques and competi-tower (with indifferent rail contion. it requires increasing speed and skills, flexibility and strength. There is need for occasional pruning, which is frequently met by the all too. nexions to some commercial centres) will utrimately result the real cost of the upheaval itself—with its change of staff and disturbed efficiency— should have made the whole violent changes in the inter-national economic climate. However it cannot flourish in isola-tion for long, especially where the official hatchet is being exercise unthinkable right from rashly applied near its founda-(c) The Think Tank's recommendation to concentrate on

overseas posts may, at first, appear as a positive response to present day needs. Surprisingly Africa,

Chairman, Association of Shippers to so, since exporters—like-farmers—ere used to having their complaints taken for granted. However, this sugges-tion comes as part of an eco-Kingsway House.

Conduct of years' standing I am dismayed the external that the irresponsible attitude of some typists can jeopardize

the reputation of secretaries as From Ms Alison Mederic Sir, White I endorse Alan Ga During training it was impressed upon me that efficiency in shorthand, typing inge's call for more efficien accounting systems (September and spelling had to be matched by reliability, loyalty, dis-cretion and grooming. Our 14), his article gives a grossly misleading impression of the conduct of the external audischools are now turning out hoses of young ladies who can

type and take shorthand, but little emphasis seems to be Although the Institute of Chartered Accountains moto is Recte numerare (to count correctly), any auditor worth system provides a reliable accurage final accounts.

to count on longer service from youths as they do not tend to flit from post to post so readily as do girls. Also marriage and the fathering of children does tend to stabilize them in their careers. However, any cost saving measures which this exami-nation brings to light will be drawn to the client's attention in the audit letter, together with a report on weakness in control which could affect the accuracy of the accounts. This is done because the majority of auditors wish to give an effective sayvice to their clients in every area that comes within the scope of him in

their review. No auditor would sign an the ill !! qualified report on a company, where a material figure in their accounts such as year-end months. The society reply by Incidentally, each December stock is unsupported by extern return of post and I am able to 31 I receive an annual state nal evidence. The type of firm fill in both my annual sax ment of my mortgage account, which uses stock to balance the required profit figure is undelety to have any scandard accounting procedures; its ment staffed by trained cost

> ALISON MILLER, 113 Etos Place.

English system of house purchase

London, SW19:

Sir. Your readers must be getconcerning conveyancing but the letter from Professor A. J. Eccles (September 19) compar-ing the Scottish system of house purchase with the English sys-tem has confused rather than clarified the original corres-pondence and I hope you will find room for this reply.

In my last letter (September 9) I attempted to defend the ing for simultaneous exchange of contracts are that it avoids the "hard sell" and that the procedures customary in Eng-land causing so-called delay, and

parties on committing themselves to the transaction can budget to the last penny and do not have to allow for unknown quantities of bank interest or the expense of finding at the same time pointed out that the English system was so flexible that contracts could be signed immediately if the parties so desired, subject to the points I mentioned. Proalternative accommodation at short notice. Simultaneous exchange gives the parties full security there fessor Eccles complains of his experience of purchasing a house in London but appar-ently the only reason for delay the parties full security there after. It also avoids the amiety that must be felt by purchasers in Scotland who have committed themselves to buying another property only to find their own house hard to self and the anxiety that must be felt from time to time by vendors in Scotland who find that a purchaser may not be able to proceed If that happens in England the vendor has a claim on the 10 per cent deposit normiis that the local search has not been obtained. This hardly strikes at the root of the Eng-lish conveyancing system and had Professor Eccles and his vendor wished to sign a condivendor wished to sign a conditional contract presumably it
could have been done long ago.
In England a vendor will
usually not wish to commit himself to a sale until he is able
to commit himself to a new purchase otherwise he may find
himself without a house.
Similarly, a purchaser does not
normally commit himself until
he has received a written mortgage offer, satisfactory replies
to the search made in the local
authority registers, a satisfacon the 10 per cent deposit normally paid on exchange of contracts but in Scotland I understand no deposit is paid and a vendor suffering loss through recision may not be able to recover damages. Richard Stoker (September authority registers, a satisfac-tory survey report, and a bind-ing contract for the sale of his present property. When all these criteria have been mer the various parties involved ex-

Richard Stoker (Septemper 19) refers to the purchasing couple whose vendor changed his mind. They lost the survey fees paid to the building society as a result but I understand this can happen in Scot-land also because sometimes the missives (equivalent of taneously, thus avoiding the risk of ending up either with two changed between solicitors until. Wisteria House, houses (with a mortgage on one and bank bridging finance on gage is confirmed.

House purchase in England London, E11 2RJ.

Industrial development in London

in central London. We have spent the last 20 years trying From Mr H. S. Axion Sir, I was very interested in Mr Norman Howard's letter to carry out this type of opera-(September 15) regarding in-dustrial development in the GLC area. Brixton Estate is one ably met entrenched opposition to industrial development from the London planners at overy level in many instances this has forced us to refurbish existing properties where the correct solution would be to of the largest developers and owners of industriel property in the GLC area and its experience of the problems of carry-ing our industrial development in central London is probably Development is a long-term operation and consistent policies for encouraging the building of factories are essential I am delighted by Mr

The only deficiency in the and Scotland is essentially the system is that occasionally during the three or four week tract between the parties and the period leading up to simulis for them to agree the pro- (canneous exchange of contracts a cadure they wish to adopt. Period a risk that most buyers and feet, but the English system is sellers are prepared to take fairer and more flexible than rather than run the greater risk your correspondents suggest.

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Harleston, Norfolk IP20 9AB.

From Mr. C. Wiseman

Sir, In commenting upon Mr.
Moss's admirable letter Mr.
Cheshire (September 15) included a vendor's solicitiff should not make lecal searches well in advance of contemplation of sale. The simple answer is that this would normally be a waste of money since it dangerous to rely upon a local search which is more than a search which is more than a month or so old.

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require that a search certificate be dauled not more than the months before the thate of months before the thate of the completion and that date itself about a month after the date of the contract. The wendor's solicitors therefore would have to make a further local search instruction therefore changing contracts.

In the case of an anction the date of the contract (being the date of the anction) the date of the anction) the date of the anction) the date of the searches can be adjusted accordingly.

if they are to have any effort.
We and the other major notestrial developers are certainly prepared to play our part just the planning authorities at 16th council member and officer. level must recognize 184 responsibilities in the matter.
Yours faithfully,
H. S. AXTON,

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client's accounting system and appraise its effectiveness Such evaluation is primarily simed at determining whether the basis for the preparation of

Yours taithfully,

but he is paying the piper.
Yours truly.
G. STEELE.

From Mr C. Wiseman

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Yours feithfully, C. WISEMAN,

Deputy chairman and ma director, Batana Batare Limited, 22.24 Rly Place, London, ECIN 610. September 19.

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BY THE FINANCIAL EDITOR

Rossing defers hopes of RTZ growth

nernet onal trade in a enical and difficult at Zinc were actually 29 per cent ahead at 142.3m, or 32.34p a share, but the savaging given to the shares yesterday would hardly have led to such a conclusion. But the marker had been looking for carnings of between 36p and 45p so the shares fell 20p to 216p having touched 211p at one point.

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This was not all. Having gone through the lachcape gar" on dividends, RTZ is now proposing a 4.8 per cent dividend increase only for this year, whereas market hopes had been for as much as 25 per cent

one comments the all man economic climate. The point, of course, is that profits will be below those of last year unless the metal prices pick up sharply now which seems unlikely. So earnings will be back to the mai economic climately use it common flourish to pro-for inter specially to official hatchet is by ty combed near its by level of 1973,

The mining industry is currently passing through the eye of the storm-Inco and



Sir Mark Turner, chairman of Rio Tinto-Zinc.

other nickel producers are being very badly squeezed and many copper producers are being crippled. RTZ may be among the best of the bunch, but it cannot ride the recesthe minuscrete was soon in isolation. The share price has we will also example reflected this, lagging behind the market, a coccurring are: and a far cry from the late 1960s when it was a market favourite.

Moreover, like other producers, it needs a bit of luck and this has been conspicuously absent at Rossing uranium project, which perhaps exemplifies the faded promise of RTZ. It seems that, with the mine currently operating on a negative cash flow, it will be 1979 before RTZ sees a return.

The shares, on a prospective yield of 5.96 per cent, are likely to remain weak until we see a major and sustained rise in metal prices. But with stockpiles high, when that will be is anybody's guess.

Rowntree Mackintosh

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s material figure et Rowntree Mackintosh's 33 per cent halfyear profits increase to £12m contrasts the state was sharply with the 17 per cent improvement as the state at Cadbury Schweppes. While such a coma be parison may be a little unfair in that Rownreced cross figure tree is almost wholly a confectionery group, procedure while Cadbury was suffering from its taking by graned true that an investor looking at the food manufacturing sector would see the two as natural competitors for his money.

Institutional support, which appeared to slacken at Rowntree after its cocoa trading disaster four years ago, has been gradually returning. Its shares have outperformed the market strongly throughout the past year, and Rowntree has now largely regained its image as a successfully managed growth stock. The rerating has been such, however maner of a resemble to the market over than the market over the maner of a resemble to the some marking time. Cadbury's therefore may look the better short-term bet.

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Other considerations may point in the same direction, particularly if it is thought that Rowntree's better profits are a result largely of a short-term advantage gained by better forward buying in the cocoa market. While this is undoubtedly a factor, it is if a percular the debatable how important it is. Rowntree has certainly gained a price advantage over its competitors and is using coca currently

Attributable interim profits at Rio Tinto-Zinc were actually 29 per cent ahead at £2,400 quoted in the commodity markets. But its differential over Cadbury's is probably not very marked and the view that Rowntree's forward cover is much better than Cadbury's is probably exaggerated. In any case, the advantage would swing back in Cadbury's favour if prices fell.

The more important factors are that Rowntree has a better product mix to cope with high cocoa prices, and consequently with violent swings in prices, and that its policy of sticking to its last appears to have been a better management decision than Cadbury's diversification.

After an 8 per cent volume rise in confectionery sales in the United Kingdom last year there has since been a decline. Yet overall, including a maintained increase overseas, Rowntree has improved its volume by around 3 per cent.

The 30 per cent of United Kingdom sales in sugar confectionery helped, but the group also claims an increase in market share in chocolate, which must mean an improvement in the sales of its "mixed" brands such as Kit Kat—45 years old and still growing—against the "block" chocolate which is Cadbury's forte.

Certainly its volume increase has been dependent on price, and this in turn has improved margins, helped again by reduced interest charges, as a result of last year's rights issue. But market share once gained is not easily given up, and with strong and growing overseas penetration there will be substantial benefits to flow from the £65m capital expenditure programme, £25m of which is being made this year.

The trusts are still sellers—The Joseph Rowntree Memorial Trust sold 10,000 at 400p yesterday, but the market believes that such selling is no longer a worry. A 21p rise to 394p yesterday gives a prospective yield of 3.14 per cent, but on prospective earnings of 420 there is more than five times cover and Rowntree still looks a good long term

Redfearn

Rockware provides a British alternative

There is a clear prima facie case for refer-ring Rockware's bid for Redfearn National Glass to the Monopolies Commission. A monopoly is defined as 25 per cent of the market. Rockware has close to a third of the British glass container business and Redfearn another 15 to 17 per cent.

Rockware will argue that it is more important to look at the container market as a whole, since glass is often in competi-tion with cans and plastic containers, and it says the combined group would only have 17 per cent of the wider business. It will point out that United Glass also has around a third of the glass container market so there would continue to be strong compen-

But it is the presence of the rival Rheem bid which is the real ace for Rockware. United Glass is 50 per cent American owned, and the prospect of control of Red-fearn passing to the United States too might weigh heavily in Rockware's favour when the Secretary for Prices and Consumer Pro-tection considers the issue.

Otherwise it is hard to see how Rockware would have dared to chance such a bid. Aside from its own position there is also that of Pilkington to think of. Only this year the Monopolies Commission rebuffed Pilkington's bid for UK Optical, and the authorities might not now view kindly the prospect of Pilkington taking its near 20 per cent stake in Rockware up to 25 per cent of a much enlarged glass container

Meanwhile Rockware's 320p offer, although 20p above Rheem's unsatisfactory partial bid, proposes to take out Redfearn on a fully-taxed price earnings ratio of around 9, which is far from a knockout got in on the Act

An important piece of industrial relations legislation for, which the TUC was largely responsible has, in the view of most union leaders, gone miserably and embarrassingly wrong. And there seems little chance of putting it right dur-ing this Parliament.

To the intense annoyance of the TUC members a host of non-affiliated bodies have got through the net and become legally defined as independent trade unions. Once they get an independence certificate, a whole range of advantages immediately accrue.

It was not at all what the TUC wanted. When the concept of independent unions was introduced into the Employment Protection Act it was thought the criteria for independence would exclude most, if not all, the non-TUC bodies.

In fact, the latest figures are that of 260 unions granted certificates.

tificates, 117 are not members of the TUC.

The man in the middle of the political fray is Mr John Edwards, the certification officer, the independent statutory authority appointed by the Em-ployment Secretary last February, who has to interpret the definition of independence as laid down in the Trade Union and Labour Relations Act.

How does he interpret the definition? "A simple test is willingness to take industrial action. I am not saying that is the only way you can satisfy the test. One has to make a judgment about the ability and readiness of the body concerned to stand up to the management

able or willing to take a tough line—if it just touches its cap to management—then that is a black mark. It is sometimes a difficult decision to make."

With pay bargaining in abevance for the past two years, the test of assessing willingness to stand up and fight has been more difficult. The decision to grant or refuse a certificate of independence might in the end rest on an assessment of the sort of atmosphere there is between an applicant and its

management. Apart from talking to officials of the body, the certification office studies minutes of meetings with the management, and minutes of executive meetings. it all helps to understand the

The legal definition of an independent trade union is: A trade union which: (a) is not under the domination or control of an employer or a group of employers or of emplozers' associations; and (b) is not liable to inter-

financial or material support first place. or by any other means what-soever) tending towards such

The legislation is gaping with holes. For example, the certi-fication officer is not required. or even able, to take into account the effect which the issue of a certificate might have on good industrial relations. He cannot consider whether the development of a new trade union in a particular area is desirable or not

Also, and it is a crucial point, he cannot take account of the effectiveness of the body. That very point has been brought out in an important case at an employment appeal tribunal before Mr. Lucius Exphes before Mr Justice Forbes.

He said in his judgment: "In view of the many import-ant advantages which accrue under the modern industrial relations legislation to an indeperhaps, have been expected that one of the more important criteria in deciding inde-pendence would be effectiveness in representing the inter-ests of its members."

The case involved the Souibb UK Staff Association, which was originally refused a certificate, but granted one by Mr Justice Forbes on appeal. It covers staff of Squibb & Sons, which has a factory at Moreton, Cheshire, and a London office.

The judge questioned whether a union with 230 members with £1,100 in the bank would be able to take industrial and look after its members' action or litigation. But the Act confined itself to requiring independence from control by body is completely tame and not the employer. He therefore overruled the certification officer, and granted a certificate. although he expressed his own disquiet about doing so.

Divided staff representation can be a menace to collective bargaining arrangements, which is graphically demonstrated in the continuing and worsening feud between the two bodies representing sraff in the English

clearing banks.

The TUC-affiliated National Union of Bank Employees has a certificate of independence; so does its rival, the Confederation of Bank Staff Associations. Their rivalry bedevils pay talks. and Mr Leif Mills, Nube's general secretary, is among many union leaders who have called for a tighter interpreta-tion of "independence" in order to prevent so many non-TUC bodies getting a certificate.

But the horse has already bolted, and it would be highly unlikely that the Governmen would tinker around with the legislation in attempt to favour the TUC

A spot of bother over the unions which

ference by an employer or any bodies, although they might such group or association have gor away with it had they (arising out of the provision of done the job properly in the

And so, to their delight and surprise, the non-TUC unions have been hunded an immensely useful gift without even asking for it.

Mr Edwards said: "I am not taking a view as to whether stuff associations are a good or bud thing. That is nothing to do with me. My function is a specific and narrow one. It is important for me not to appear in any way to be taking sides between TUC union, and non-TUC amons. The only thing I am concerned with is indepen-

The most important advan-tage of an independence certificate is that it opens the way to the Advisory, Conciliation and Arbitration Service, which in turn opens up a wide range of privileges and benefits.

It is not that a non-TUC body would necessarily want to use any of those benefits, but the certificate does make them respectable and gives added status.

What are the benefits? Only certificated union has a right to the "disclosure of informa-tion" provision; the right to consultation about redundancies and the right to advance notification accrues to independent unions only; the right to appoint safety representatives is confined to certificated bodies. There are other advantages but by far the most important is the opening of the door to Acas.

A final word from Mr Edwards: "There is a lor of strong feeling on this subject. have to be objective and iudicial.

"The fact that the TUC does not like it when a non-affiliated body applies for a certificate is not something 1 can take account of. I have to stick rigidly to the definition of independence as it is in the

Economic notebook

Unemployed, naturally?

expected them to tolerate, with scarcely more than token complaints, a doubling in the rate of unemployment in the last two and a half years.

rate of adult unemployment now 6 per centand rising, this tolerance could soon end. Already the Government is the number out of work.

This may not be simply because they believe that unemployment loses more votes than higher inflation: after all, there were still 94 per cent of the labour force in work.

But decelerating inflation and a growing surplus on the balance of payments means attention can turn to the

Does the Government have the power to influence anothing other than the very short

that it does not. The "natural" down unemployment for the reassert itself whenever a non-influence budgetary policy is applicable to the can again achieve high levels of applicable without this lead-influence.

emplerment above its "natural" rate will simply acelerate the rate of inflation. of the monetarist identity my = pt, or the statement that the stock of money in the economy, m. times the rate ar which ir changes hands, v. has to equal the level of prices, p.

times the level of activity. The Government can change the amount of money in the economy but, say the natural rate adherents, it can do nothing (at least by short-term demand management) to change the level of output and employment. The economy will tend to full employment of all re-

sources, with the costs of the factors of production adjusting to equate supply and demand. If there is an apparent sur-plus of labour it is a result of excessive real wages, so that the labour cannot be employed to produce goods at a price which will sell at home and abroad and still allow an adequate return on capital.

If this means that governments can only sit and watch helplessly as the number of jobless rises to new heights, it poses a major problem for society.

There are, however, many difficulties with the concept of natural unemployment. What is it, if it is not full employment? How can it be measured? Can it change and, if so, why and how? Most importantly, why has it jumped so sharply in the past four years? Or, if it has not risen, why has unemploy-ment itself increased with so little effect on inflation?

A simple answer to the question why is unemployment now so high, is just that output is so low. Official figures released this week show that gdp was actually lower in the first half of this year than 12 months ago. It seems implausible that there is no spare capacity in the

The British are noted for their economy which could be tolerance. But few would have brought into profitable use if there were an increase in spending power and thus in the level or demand.

But there are still those who believe that there is no short-fall in demand, and therefore However, with the underlying no scope for higher output and more jobs, given the present level of wages to Britain rela-tive to those abroad. So if Eritons are given more money to spend, through government planning measures to boost the action they will spend it on im-economy and slow the rise in ported 200ds. It they try to spend it at home, another bout of wage inflation will be set off.

This is a very gloomy conclusion. It implies that the tradeoff between unensployment and inflation has worsened permanently and dramatically.

However, some growth, even without any government action, is already under way with real incomes now beginning to rise egain. Unfortunately, the cyclical slow-down in output. and consequent rise in unem-ployment, has been so severe in this reessio that it will take a long period of sustained and fairly rapid growth to bring

reassert itself whenever a non-inflationary budgetary policy is followed, with a steady expan-sion in the money supply. And attempts to raise the level of attempts to raise the level of complement above its

There are reasons to suppose This an be restated in terms that the level of unemployment of the monetarist identity consistent with an "acceptable" rate of inflation (for practical purposes defined as the average level of inflation in competing countries) and a balance of payments is now higher than in the

1950s and 1060s. A slover response in the labour market to changes in supply and demand is one. The growth of union power coupled with expectations of rising realincomes has it harder to cut real wages. Devaluation can no longer be relied on to balance internal and external demand. as wages catch up quickly with the changed exchange rate.

If Britons try to pay themselves too much, in relation to, their production, jobs at home, will be sacrificed for those abroad.

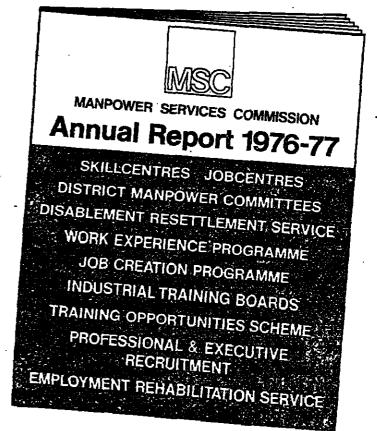
Secondly, it has been suggested that the recent fall in-the level of investment relative to the level of output is a long-term, rather than merely cyclical, phenomenon. Just as the very high proportion of investment in output in the earlier-postwar period has been held responsible for the high level of employment, so a fall in this-ratio would lead to fewer job opportunities.

If real wages remain high in relation to the return on capi-tal at home, and the level of wages abroad, there is little that the government can do to bring. resorting to direct import con-trols, which may not be possible let alone desirable).

growth in the next year couldand the provision of more jobs. policy could help that growth.

Caroline Atkinson

Our progress in manpower is your business too.



Business Diary: EMI's quickstep • BR's EEC arrival that was after a 10-week strike. The £1.8m which EMI is pay-

ing the manich EMI is paying for 12 dance and cabaret clubs belonging to John Smith's and Stan Henry's Bailey Organization is a high figure, according to Mecca chairman Eric Morley. make level some colored to the simple may be considered to the simple may be colored to the simple may

Morley, who has had 30 years in the business and brought Mecca up from 12 ballrooms to 120, now faces big competition from EMI, which is to spend another £1m doing up the Bailey night spots. Rank some time ago began to ease its way off the dance

Secretary comments of the secretary that are a month after the contract the contrac floor.
"I was offered the Bailey t motion to consider the consideration of the consi clubs but I turned them down " Morley told Business Diary last "I"şay good luck to Dancing took a dive last year ontracts auctions
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because of the bot weather, but it has since picked up and John Knight. EMT's managing director of leisure enterprises, says that he is satisfied that it is a stable market.

EMI came into the dancing business come years 200 business some years ago through Blackpool Tower Com-

pany and snapped up the Bailey offer after the success of taking over the Empire Ballroom, Leicester Square, from Mecca last April. Knight says that the Bailey formulaof cabatet and dancing will probably remain, but he is

particularly keen to catch the to 35-year olds. Shirth and Henry's South Shields-based private company retains about half a dozen clubs in the North-east as well as a dozen or so casinos and bingo halis.

and chief executive of British Another big transport event deign to treat with AEUW and Rad is to become the first in which Bowick will be TGWU representatives — and



BR's David Bowick: his turn on the whistle.

chairman of the "Group of Nine", the EEC railways pressure group.

Bowick takes over from the chairman and director-general of Dutch Railways on Tuesday, the day after the start of a group meeting in London... On the agenda are three

main things: the strengthening of technical and commercial cooperation, as in making rolling stock more compatible, the harmonizing of accounting methods to make performance comparison easier, and the updating of the list of European branch lines that are to

be developed So far as Britain is concerned, Bowick will be able to report the latest plans to start a high-speed diesel train service between King's Cross and Edinburgh next year, and the (electric) advanced passeng t train service between and Glasgow

day international symposium organized by the Conference of European Ministers of Trans-The BR vice-chairman will be

host to about 250 delegates at ministerial, civil servant and senior management level from 23 countries who on Friday are to visit Bath by high-speed Bowick's Group of Nine, appointment is within the framework of the International

Union of Railways, and means that he will take a leading role ing the future of European railways and as a spokesman for the group in contacts with the European Commission and Council of Ministers.

Concannon, Iohn Minister of State, Northern Office, could have chosen an easier target than the Belfast textile machinery makers James Mackie and Sons in making a rest case on pay

He has given the firm until noon today to backtrack on a 22 per cent pay offer. On the face of ir. Concannon can hurt the firm, for he is threatening to block applications for export credit guarantees. Makie's export about nine-tentlis of their production. Not, one would have thought, a firm the Government should my to drive

out of business. Mackie, however, one of Britain's larger family-con-troiled private companies, does not have a history of giving in easily. Now 131 years old, only last year did Mackie's ouly

Even now, union leaders are still waiting for details of a scheme announced without consultation a year ago under which all shares in the company were made over to trust, presumably as a way round capital transfer tax.

Mackie management now talks to shop stewards, but accords them neither office nor telephone facilities and has yet recognize the works committee.

It remains a mysterious firm. The effective chief executive is although there are lots of them about either in management or as owners or controllers of shares—but an outsider, the company secretary, Jim Rogers. A spokesmen for the Confederation of Shipbuilding and Engineering Unions told Business Diary yesterday:
"Mackie's have always shown themselves to be a very inde-

If one man were to be credited with the recent improvement in the fortunes of Reyrolle Parsons, and therefore the ability to resist Sir Arnold Weinsmck's rationalization of the turbine generator industry. would be chief executive

pendent firm and I think they

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sleeves on this issue."

Duncan McDonald Duncan McDonald

At Revrolle Parsons he rationalized and built up the switchgear division, where profits are moving sharply ahead, and he gave both his workforce and the City confidence that the group has a the falling future despite demand for turbines. It therefore comes as little

has emerged as chief executive of the Northern Engineering Industries, the new group formed from the merger of Clarke Chapman and Reyrolle Parsons. This was a merger pushed through despite the uncertain future of the power engineering industry, which offects both companies that many in the City thought ir would never happen. McDonald's appointment as

chief executive at Reyrolle Parsons is generally credited to the arrival as chairman of Sir James Woodeson. Sir James was already chairman of Clarke Chapman, and at the time the natural order of things would have seemed to suggest a Clarke Chapman man as chief executive were the two groups ever to get together. The fact that the job has gone to a Reyrolle man is a tribute to the way McDonald has galvanized the workforce since his appointment.

Wherever one or more airline executives jorgather, horror stories about the governmenthlessed price-fixing of the International Air Transport Association are likely to be swopped. We heard one executive oi a non-lata sirline bewailing the jact that although he was already obliged to charge more for tickets than he wanted, lota was now after the airline to charge for in-flight drinks. Still, he said, it might get back some business. One shipping jirm was no longer sending out its seamen on his company's planes, he said, because it took too long to than them out on arrival.

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Stock markets

Gold shares and long gilts glister

Long gilts held most of the sporlight as equities languished close to their overnight levels pronounced move either way.
Fixed-interest dealers reported a small but persistent

demand for the longer maturi-ties which brought gains of three-quarters and occasionally

"Shorts" were subdued at first by the imminence of the £800m "tap". Bur they quickly rallied in the wake of their longer brethren and by the end had al but wiped out losses which had stretched to half a

Though general trade in equities was at a minimum a good sprinkling of actual and potential takeover stocks, a long list of company statements and a strong market in gold shares provided enough diversion for

Having stayed just above its overnight level for most of the session the FT Index reverted to unchanged at 3 pm and finally lost ground to close 2.3 lower at 520.0.

Down went Stone-Platt Indus-Down went Stone-Platt, Indus-tries by 5p to 110p after their 25p drop to 118p when the figures for the first half year came out just under a week ago. Twenty institutions and brokers have just been enter-tained at Quaglino's to the way the chairman and his chief executive see prospects; there is, it seems, unlikely to be a is, it seems, unlikely to be a recovery in textile machinery orders for at least a year and the important United States market is extremely sluggish. But the group is doing what it

As the gold price went through \$150 there were selectively good rises on the pitch with some of the strongest performances coming from Vaul Reefs at £13.25 and General Mining £15.25, both up half a point, and Western Holdings £16.0 and Randfontein £29.0 both of which were almost £1 to the good.

lacking the imperus to make a 150p both returning after pronounced move either way. suspension to close 64p and 30p

the two Cheshire-based lorry groups run by different branches of the Foden family.

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Amid rumours of a possible takeover of both groups or that merger talks were on, ERF lept 43p to 155p while Fodens jumped 18p to 68.

Last night, however, Mr W. L. Foden, chairman of the Fodens group, which recently fought off a takeover bid from Rolls-Royce Motors, said that he was mystified by the rise. He denied that the group hadbeen involved in any talks. been involved in my talks. Redfearn returned from sus-pension to close 20p up at 300p after news of the rejected counter offer from Rockware. Electrocomponents was another wanted and ended 12p shead

The much anticipated figures
Issues to react from recent from Arthur Bell which were
peculative strength were coupled with a 100 per cent

A cluster of takeover and Forness Withy, which lost 7p speculative issues featured to 337p, Adwest 4p to 288p and Houchin 197p and Kwikform Oil Exploration which shed 3p to 290p. Renewed strength was suspension to close 64p and 30p better respectively
Speculative attention brought huge gains to ERF and Fodens, the two Cheshire-based loss.

The market is waiting somewhat anxiously to see how Vickers presents its half-year figures. The group will have had control of its nationalized aircraft interests for four months and its shipbuilding companies for the full period, but without agreed compensation comparative results may be difficult to produce.

Recent market doubts about customer resistance to confectionery products were more than dispelled by profits from Rowntree well above most market expectations. The shares jumped 21p to 394p with many dealers drawing comfort that the disappointment of recent engineering results had not been repeated.

the shares rose 8p to 334p. But both Laporte off 4p to 113p and RTZ down 20p to 216p were overshadowed by warnings on future profits.

There has been strong speculative support of late for vehicle suspension specialist Jonas Woodhead In a flurry of buying yesterday the shares rose 12p to 200p. Prudential and Norwich Union together hold around 15 per cent and dealers would not be surprised if these

Equity turnover on September was £97.48m (18,355 bargains). Active stocks yesterday, according to Exchange Telegraph, were Royal Insur-ance, RTZ, ICI, European Ferries, BAT Dfd, Dunlop, CKN, Rowntree Mackintosh, Reed International, Shell, Dawson International, Grand Metropolitan, BP, Swan Hunter, Redfearn Glas and Furness Withy.

Latest results

COMPANA	Sares	Froms	Eat miss	DIA	Pay.	Year's
Int or Fin	£m	£m	per share	pence	date	total
Armitage Bros (I)		0.20(0.23)	- ()	()	_	(14.63)
Arthur Bell	43.6(40.4)	3.7(2.2)	24.86(15.09)	4.4(2.97)		(6.0)
Bemrose Corp (I)		1.15(1.12)	- (-)	1.91(1.34)	18/11	 (2.6)
Bremar Hidgs	—(—)	1.2(1.1)	-(-)	-(-)	_	()
Brixton Est (I)	-(-)	1.1(0.96)	()	1.2(1.1)		(1.5)
C. Clifford Ind	5.6(4:1)	0.08(0.16)	—(—)	Ni1(2.0)		(2)
Dares Est (I)	1.10(1.12)	0.008(0.04b)	-(-)	ND(ND) .		()
Eagle Star Ins	-(-)	19.5(15.8)	-(-)	3.0(2.7)	13/1	(8.4)
Anthony Gibbs (I)		-(-)	()	0.715(0.715)	18/11	 ()
Home Cnt Nws (I)		0.28(0.08)	5.36(1.52)	1.25(0.75)	28/10	(3.5)
Huntleigh Gp (1)		0.45(0.40b)	8.5(5.9)	1.17(1.05)	3/11	(2.1)
J. B. Hidgs (I!		0.92(0.89)	4.46(4.29)	1 0(0.48)	6/1	(0.92)
Laporte Ind (1)	74.8(60.2)	7.0(5.2)	8.56(6.34)	2.7(2.1)	28/11	(5.3)
Plantatu Hldgs (I)			3.2(1.6)	2.17(0.86)		-(1.9)
Rio Tinto-Zinc (I)		146.1(123.0)	16.79(13.03)	3.5(3.1)	3/1	(8.0)
Rowntree Mack (I)		12.0(8.9)	 ()	2.75(2.5)	5/1	(7.3)
Stwrt & Wight (F)		0.03(0.03)	36.05(27.1)	14.77(14.77)	27/10	21.77(21.77)
Thrgurtn Tst _. (F)	—(—)	0.29(0.29)	1.73(1.73)	2.75(2.75)	3/11	4.0(4.0)
Tilbury Cont (I)	16.3(15.4)	0.89(1.14)	—{— }	6.0(6.0)	20/10	(17.9)
Wades Dptmt (F)		0.87(0.88)	7.04(7.33)	1.38(1.17)	_	2.0(1.80)
West Cuty Prp (I)		0.22(0.26ь)	6.6a(11.5)	—(Nij)		—(NH)
	9.1(8.8)	0.52(0.45)	—(—)	1.18(1.04)		
Zetters Grp (F)	()	0.59(0.43)	4.16(3.11) .	1.16(1.04)	17/11	1,16(1.04)
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Composite insurance better on Eagle Star's 23 pc headway

The composite insurance sector's results season ended on a firm note yesterday, with Eagle Star reporting a 23 per-cent increase in its pre-tax sur-plus to £19.5m for the six. months to June 30.

The total result was no more than the market had expected, but the news that it had been achieved despite a most stringent" policy on outstanding claims provisions was the one for increased confidence throughout the sector. Eagle Star's own shares jumped 5p to 147p.

Reporting a film jump in underwriting losses to £3.4m, the group points to its decision to provide for claims in the important motor and liability accounts on the most cautionary A significant slowdown in

A significant inflation could thus have a powerful beneficial effect on the underwriting result for the the underwriting result for the full year especially as Eagle Kloeckner's Both bottles and whisky

cash, loss

From Peter Norman

at Preussag

Kloeckner-Werke AG, the

West German steel group, announced that it will raise its capital by DM100m to DM447m

by issuing new shares at a price of 105 per cent.

In view of the continuing slump in the West German steel industry and the fact that Kloeckner paid no dividend for the past two business years the

the past two business years, the

board has decided against a normal rights issue.

Instead the group's banks and the single biggest share-holder, Internationale Industri-

ele Belegging Maatschappij "Amsterdam" BV which holds

between 25 per cent and 50 per

capital increase plus the five

The capital increase will help finance recent acquisitions by the Kloeckner-Werke Group, in particular the majority holding in the South German Maxhuette steel making combine.

Preussag AG, the West German metals, chemical and trans-

port concern, said it made a loss in the second quarter of

this year mainly because of a fall in the price and demand

Antony Gibbs in

£11.25m sale

By Ronald Pullen

two weeks ago.

of key property

Antony Gibbs, the merchant bank two-fifths owned by Hong-kong and Shangai Banking, is

to sell its major property asset at 22 Bishopsgate in the City, as foreshadowed in The Times

The sale to an undisclosed purchaser for £11.25m has been

made necessary because the building is now too small to

accommodate the recent growth of staff, and too big for just

of starr, and too big for just the banking division.

In the books at a March, 1972 valuation of £2.33m, around £7m has been spent on redeveloping the property. The profit from the deal will be transferred to inter reserves.

Meanwhile, after two years of strong profits recovery from the losses on the personal

financial planning side. Gibbs is now forecasting a setback in

full-year trading profits at the interim stage.

First half profits from bank

ing, insurance and commodities

have shown a "marked improvement" but the Gibbs Bright timber side has been herd hir by the Australian

The interim dividend is a maintained 1.08p a share gross but the shares lost 4p to 6p where the capitalization is

Briefly

Around 51 per cent of com

Gill & Duffus, was placed in

the market yesterday by broker Kitcat & Aitken among

more than 40 institutions at just under the 214p opening

The holding came from Mar-

kam Holdings, a Dutch cocos trader which G & D bought

some years ago. The widow of Markam's original chairman

had been wanting to sell for

Recovery continues at Home Counties Newspapers with pre-tax profits for six months to June 30 of £285,000 against £83,000. Advertising revenue has improved.

Group has lost appeal to Australian High Court on assess-ment of years 1967-to-1969. It had provided for this eventuality.

Board discussing purchase of Lasser Bros. a money broking subsidiary of J. P. Cabot Equity of New York.

Nearly doubled interest rates held interim profits at last year's level. Order books in many opera-tions for the second half have started well. Figures, see table.

HOME COUNTIES NEWS

LONDON AUSTRALIA INV

M. W. MARSHALL

BEMROSE CORP

Kitcat places

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per cent premium.



of Eagle Star

Sir Dennis Mountain; chairman

dom-oriented of the seven com-posite majors.

Star is the most United King- creased from £2.4m to £3.1m.

Meanwhile Eagle Star, with strong bias towards the United Kingdom gilt and equity markets, has seen a 29 per cent jump in arvestment income to £18.9m.

Although the fall in interest rates should mean a slower rate of income growth for the rest of the year, the consequent rise in fixed interest securities has further increased the substantial solvency margin—56 per cent at the last accounting date—des-pite a 25 per cent gain in

Grovewood Securities has chipped in a further £2.8m at the interim stage after £2.4m last rime; life profits are up from £3.1m to £3.5m and associated companies profits add £800,000 against £500,000. Pen-sions contributions have in-

domoriented of the seven composite majors.

However, the group yesterday declined to comment on the likelihood of any write-back at the year-end.

Declaring an interim dividend of 45p gross, Eagle Star is predicting the maximum increase in the total payout to provide a prospective yield of 6.3 per the year-end.

and export sales turnover up by £1.3m to £5.7m.

Bell's home market volume

ferent from the result for the first half of the year." Pre-tag. Laporte climbed £1.75m to £7.03m at the interim stage birthe half-on-half comparison will

clearly not be so encouraging in the July-December period.

Sterling's strength, too, is beginning to dampen experi growth. The group estimates that the net adverse effect on profits of the pound's recovery in the first half was about film. But the peroxygen business, the 50 per cent owned laterox, performed well during the half and looks set for further the growth. Laporte attributes his continued strength to its ability.

Laporte up

tough again

The noturn from the world

chemicals recession which lifted

Laporte Industries in the second half of 1976 began to lose momentum in the first

The group is now experienc-ing softening prices and nar-rower margins for ritanium dioxide and prhalic anhydride.

which account for about a fifth

of the total product range.

The board, headed by Mr.

R. M. Ringwald, thinks that profits for the second half year this time will "not be too dif-

quarter of the current year."

but trade

is getting

By Ray Maughan

to find new product applica-Thus the current £20m capital investment project lasting until the end of next year is broadly designed to speed Laporte's advance into higher quality. specialist markets. This form the basis for the investment in

was down by 6 per cent with its main brand and 9 per cent with The Real Mackenzie against an industry fall of 24 per cent. Export volume was up 7 per cent compared with an industry increase of 3 per cent. Mr. Miquel said that the groups Withhalm said that the the titanium dioxide chlorid plant at Stallingborough and further spending in molecule The £8.2m rights issue in June last enabled the board to

promise a total gross dividend this year of 10.25p per share and the interim is in line with this aim at 4.1p per share.

Concerned by the prospect of unpredictable international trading conditions, the shares improve marketability and bring the share capital more into line with capital employed. The proposed dividend is 6.69230p against an interim of 4.5p and a fixed of 4.77p for the last calendar year.

help Bell's to £3.8m from £2.6m to £3.1m with home sales turnover down from £31.5m to £30m due to over-Arthur Bell and Sons, the stocking ahead of duty increases

Scotch whisky group, made a 23.8m pre-tax profit in the six months to June 30 against 22.3m last year. Turnover went up from £40.5m to £43.7m.

The bulk of the improvement flowed from the turnround from a £339.000 loss to a £667,000 profit at Canning Town Glass, the glass container subsidiary, on sales up from £4m to £7m. Bell's chairman Mr Raymond

Bell's chairman Mr Raymond Miquel said the benefit in this division had come from the restructuring of management and centralizing of operations. A total of £2m has been spent on premises and plant and another £3.5m is to be spent over the next two years. cent of the group will each take up half of the new shares.

The banks will hold the shares for a later offer to the free shareholders of Kloeckner-Werke. They are paying up a quarter of their share of the capital increase plus the five

division mean profits will be similar to last year.

From now Bell's financial year starts on July 1 and in these twelve months furnace rebuilds in the glass container

Profits from whisky rose the last calendar year.

Mt Miquel said that the group's Highland mait distilleries were working at full capacity Financially the chairman said at June 30 bank loans and overdrafts totalled £10.4m, down £5.6m since December 31, and the board is proposing a scrip issue of one new ordinary share for each share held to improve marketability and bring the share capital more into line with capital employed. The proposed dividend is

Rowntree Mackintosh

Interim Report for the 24 weeks to 18th June, 1977.

	* Interim i	Results ,	Full Year
Turnover	1977 £ 000 188,100	7976 £1000 155,100	1976 17000 384,921
Trading Profit	14,237	11,428	36,784
Interest paid less Investment Income	2,233	2,430	5.887
Profit before Taxation	12,004 6,250	8.998 4.660	30,897 14,375
Profit after Taxation Minority Interests	5,754 750	4,338 530	16,522 1,655
Profit attributable to Rowntree Mackintosh Ltd. before Extraordinary Items	5.004	3.808	14.867

- 1. The unaudited interim figures above should be read in conjunction with the Chairman's Statement below.
- 2. Sales and profits of overseas subsidiary companies have been converted into sterling at the respective half year and year and exchange rates.
- 3. Taxation has been provided at 52% on UK profits; overseas tax amounts to £1.52m
- 4. Extraordinary items arising in the year end accounts will consist principally of currency. revoluation of overseas net assets and release of provisions on investments. At 18th June, 1977 these items would have amounted to a total credit of £1.0m.

Chairman's Statement

Dividend

The Board has declared an interim dividend of 2.75p per share (1976 2.50p per share). This dividend will absorb £1,188,000 and will be payable on 5th January 1978 to Ordinary Shareholders registered at the close of business

Trading results

Group sales in the first half of 1977 at £188.1m were some 21% higher than the first half of 1976. All Divisions in the Group contributed to this growth; 47% of sales turnover was outside the UK.

The volume of the Group's sales also showed an increase over 1976 and brandand market share performance has been very satisfactory. Exports from the UK, which were an important source of growth in 1976, have continued to make

Trading profits increased in line with turnover and interest charges were marginally lower, resulting in a profit before tax of £12.004m, an increase of 33% on the previous year's figure.

Outlook

compared with 1976.

Sales and trading margins in the second half of the year have continued at satisfactory levels.

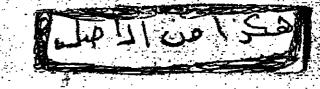
The Group's substantial capital expenditure programme for the current year of some £25m is progressing well. Subject to the uncertainties inherent in present conditions, profits and earnings for the full year are expected to show an encouraging-increase in real terms

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offer for BEC

Derritron, the electronic equipment manufacturer, has hinted that it might improve the terms of its bid for British Electronic Controls following the higher offer by rival bidder. SRE Electronics, which is owned by three BEC executive directors. But before making any new mowes, Derritron, which bettered SRE's original offer of 23p cash for each BEC ordinary Electronic Controls following the higher offer by rival bidder. SRE Electronics, which is owned by three BEC executive directors. But before making any new mowes, Derritron, which bettered SRE's original offer of 23p cash for each BEC ordinary share, wants to know what extrainformation SRE has about BEC's prospects which enabled it to raise its bid by 25 per cent to 29p a share.

Plantation Holdings doubles at half-way

In the first helf of this year, pre-tax profits of Plantation Holdings more than doubled to \$2.52m, from \$1.21m in the same months the year before. This comes after a record 53.52m for the whole of 1976.

A breakdown of trading pro-fits shows that palm oil was by far the best performer, jumping from £245,000 to £1.04m.

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New York, Sept 21.—Prices on the New York Stuck Exchange closed sharply lower amld worrie; about a possible new jump in the money supply on Thursday The Dow Jones industrial aver-age was off 10.82 points to 840.96. Declining issues outnumbered gainers by about 95 to about 450. Volume totalled 22,200,000 shares, up from 19,030,000 on Tuesday. up from 19,030,000 on Tuesday.

Arra De la Coffee slumps 4c down Camrex recently reported pre-tax profits of 1.16m against 1.05m for the six months to 1.05m for the six months the six months to 1.05m for th



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Tin price warning

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A further dismal set of United States current account balance of payment figures depressed the dollar in late activity on foreign exchange markets yesterday. In common with most other major currencies, sterling gained immediate benefit, finishing with a 16-point gain at \$1.7433 compared with \$1.7417 overnight. The effective index was unchanged at \$2.3. Trading conditions earlier had been quiet with dealers describing business as patchy. Bank of England participation was detected at both ends, but dealers thought it was on an extremely modest scale. During the earlier part of the afternoon the dollar had looked like staging a raily helped by the slowdown in United States consumer price rises.

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Grain cooperation Canberra, Sept 21.—Australia and Canada have agreed to cooperate closely on grain production, marketing and transportation, government officials said, following discussions between ministers and Mr Oho Lang, Canadian Transport Minister. Mr Lang is also minister responsible for the Canadian Wheat Board.

Eurosyndicat The Eurosyndicat Index on European share prices was put provisionally at 123.02 on September 20, against 123.1 a week earlier.

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Heavy tax payments were partly responsible for the very substantial shortage of day-to-day credit on Lombard Street yesterday. The Bank of England was required to assist the market on an exceptionally large scale, indicating a figure in excess of 250m. The Bank bought an exceptionally large number of Treasury bills and a small number of local authority bills directly from houses in need. This would seem to have fallen short of requirements judging by closing rates of between \$\frac{1}{2}\$ and \$6\$ per cent for secured loans. Earlier, houses had resisted rates of about \$\frac{1}{2}\$-\$5\frac{1}{2}\$ per cent, and were later sucesful in attracting funds at \$\frac{1}{2}\$ per cent. Banks' balances were quite a way up overnight. However, the market was required to repay the large loans made by the Bank a week ago. There was an excess of Revenue transfers to the Exchequer over Government disbursements. Most dealers thought foreign exchange was against the market as a result of the Bank's support operations for the pound on Monday.

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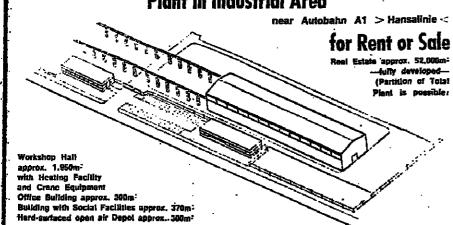
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of Energy's advisory council on energy conservation is that by 1985 manufacturers must either show that their

turers must either show that their cars are 25 per cent more economical than current models or that they are rapable of 35 miles to the gallon. The idea is being considered as part of a general review of conservation policy. In the United States, where cars are generally much thirstier than they are in Europe, the Administration reacted swiftly to the oil crisis. In 1974 President Ford called for a 40 per cent improvement in miles per gallon by the end of the decade and since then other, targets have been set which require dramatic reductions between now and the mid-1980.s

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have been replaced by a new series of six-cylinder units of 3.3 to 3.8-litre

The gains are not only in economy.

and 7in from their width and yet claim to offer more passenger and

Power at a price-the Aston Martin V8

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Road test: Aston Martin V8

ance and, just as important, a small enough output to create a scurcity value. It is the last consideration that enables the V8 to sell heside the Jaguar XJ-S, which costs £3,000 less. In comparison with Aston's six cars a mark the Lagrant and seat a mark the Lagrant and seat and the costs.

As to the visual impact of the V8, I can only report that it attracted more

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consumption tests, the results of which will have to be shown on all new cars

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Asion is not very roomy in the back where restricted head and legroom dis-

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6.00 am, News. Conn Berry. 7.02, Kid Jenseu. 9.00, Tony Blackburn. 13.00, Paul Burnett. 2.02 pm, David Hamilton. 7.4.30, D.L.T. 7.02, Pup Scure. 7.30. Carlos Rumanos. 7.30, David Ailan. 19.02, John Peel. 12.00-12.05 am, News.

nv Orchestra: Ireland. Arnell, Stravinsky.† 8.45, Leonardo da Vinci on the Science of the Body and the Mind, by Dr. Kenneth Keele. 9.10, Voices and Brass: Gabrieli, Bruckner, Hindemith.† 10.05, The Long Scarch continues. Part 1: Search continues. Part 1: Flowers for the Guru. 10.55, Piano Recital: Bach: the "48".† 11.25-11.30, News.

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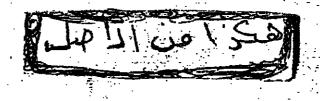
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